

Lower Generalized Order Statistics of Generalized Exponential Distribution

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Abstract:In this paper we consider three parameter generalized exponential distribution. Exact expressions and some recurrence relations for single and product moments of lower generalized order statistics are derived. Further the results are deduced for moments of order statistics and lower records and characterization of this distribution has been considered on using the conditional moment of the lower generalized order statistics.

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1 Introduction

Kamps [7] introduced the concept of generalized order statistics (*gos*). It is known that ordinary order statistics, sequential order statistics, Stigler’s order statistics and upper record values are special cases of *gos*. In this article we will consider the lower generalized order statistics (*l gos*) defined as follows:

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $k \geq 1$, $m \in \mathbb{R}$, be the parameters such that

$$\gamma_r = k + (n - r)(m + 1) > 0 \quad \text{for all } 1 \leq r \leq n.$$

Then $X^*(1, n, m, k), \dots, X^*(n, n, m, k)$ are called *l gos* from an absolutely continuous distribution function (*df*) $F(x)$ with the probability distribution function (*pdf*) $f(x)$ if their joint *pdf* has the form

$$k \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \gamma_j \right) \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} [F(x_i)]^m f(x_i) \right) [F(x_n)]^{k-1} f(x_n) \tag{1.1}$$

for $F^{-1}(1) > x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots \geq x_n > F^{-1}(0)$.

The marginal *pdf* of r -th *l gos*, $X^*(r, n, m, k)$, is

$$f_{X^*(r, n, m, k)}(x) = \frac{C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!} [F(x)]^{\gamma_r - 1} f(x) g_m^{r-1}(F(x)). \tag{1.2}$$

and the joint *pdf* of $X^*(r, n, m, k)$ and $X^*(s, n, m, k)$, $1 \leq r < s \leq n$, is

$$f_{X^*(r, n, m, k), X^*(s, n, m, k)}(x, y) = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!} [F(x)]^m f(x) g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) \times [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^{s-r-1} [F(y)]^{\gamma_s - 1} f(y), \quad x > y, \tag{1.3}$$

where

$$C_{r-1} = \prod_{i=1}^r \gamma_i, \quad h_m(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{m+1}x^{m+1}, & m \neq -1 \\ -\ln x, & m = -1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$g_m(x) = h_m(x) - h_m(1), \quad x \in [0,1).$$

We shall also take $X^*(0, n, m, k) = 0$. If $m = 0$, $k = 1$, then $X^*(r, n, m, k)$ reduces to the $(n - r + 1)$ -th order statistic, $X_{n-r+1:n}$ from the sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and when $m = -1$, then $X^*(r, n, m, k)$ reduces to the r -th lower k record value (Pawlas and Szynal [11]). The work of Burkschat *et al.* [3] may also refer for *l gos*.

Recurrence relations for single and product moments of *l gos* from the inverse Weibull distribution are derived by Pawlas and Szynal [11]. Ahsanullah [1] and Mbah and Ahsanullah [10] characterized the uniform and power function distributions based on distributed properties of *l gos* respectively. Khan *et al.* [8] and Khan and Kumar [9] have established and recurrence relations for moment of *l gos* for exponentiated Weibull and Pareto distributions.

In the present study, we have established explicit expressions and some recurrence relations for single and product moments of *l gos* from generalized exponential distribution. Results for order statistics and lower record values are deduced as special cases and characterization of this distribution has been considered on using the conditional moment of the lower generalized order statistics.

A random variable X is said to have generalized exponential distribution (Gupta and Kundu [4]) if its *pdf* is of the form

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} [1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]^{\alpha-1} e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}, \quad x > \theta, \quad \alpha, \lambda > 0 \quad (1.4)$$

and the corresponding *df* is

$$F(x) = [1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]^\alpha, \quad x > \theta, \quad \alpha, \lambda > 0. \quad (1.5)$$

Here α is a shape parameter, λ is a scale parameter and θ is a location parameter. Gupta and Kundu [4, 5, 6] pointed out that the above given generalized exponential distribution will be useful as a good alternative to the gamma or the Weibull model in analyzing many lifetime data. Gupta and Kundu [6] have mentioned some drawbacks for the gamma and Weibull distributions.

2 Single Moments

Note that for generalized exponential distribution defined in (1.5)

$$\frac{\alpha}{\lambda} F(x) = [e^{(x-\theta)/\lambda} - 1] f(x). \quad (2.1)$$

The relation in (2.1) will be exploited in this paper to derive recurrence relations for the moments of lower generalized order statistics from the generalized exponential distribution.

We shall first establish the following Lemma which may be helpful in proving the main result.

Lemma 2.1 For the distribution as given in (1.5) and any non-negative finite integers a and b ,

$$I_j(a, b) = \frac{\alpha}{(m+1)^b} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \sum_{u=0}^b (-1)^u \binom{b}{u} \binom{j}{w} \frac{\lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w)}{[\alpha\{a+u(m+1)+1\}+w+p]}, \quad m \neq -1 \tag{2.2}$$

$$= b! \alpha^{b+1} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \binom{j}{w} \frac{\lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w)}{[\alpha(a+1)+w+p]^{b+1}}, \quad m = -1, \tag{2.3}$$

where

$$I_j(a, b) = \int_{\theta}^{\infty} x^j [F(x)]^a f(x) g_m^b(F(x)) dx. \tag{2.4}$$

Proof On expanding $g_m^b(F(x)) = \left[\frac{1}{m+1} \{1 - (F(x))^{m+1}\} \right]^b$ binomially in (2.4), we get when $m \neq -1$

$$I_j(a, b) = A \int_{\theta}^{\infty} x^j [F(x)]^{a+u(m+1)} f(x) dx, \tag{2.5}$$

where

$$A = \frac{1}{(m+1)^b} \sum_{u=0}^b (-1)^u \binom{b}{u}.$$

Making the substitution $t = [F(x)]^{1/\alpha}$ in (2.5), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} I_j(a, b) &= A \alpha \int_0^1 [-\lambda \ln(1-t) + \theta]^j t^{\alpha[a+u(m+1)+1]-1} dt \\ &= A \alpha \sum_{w=0}^j \binom{j}{w} \lambda^w \theta^{j-w} \int_0^1 [-\ln(1-t)]^w t^{\alpha[a+u(m+1)+1]-1} dt \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

On using the logarithmic expansion

$$[-\ln(1-t)]^w = \left(\sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^p}{p} \right)^w = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} a_p(w) t^{w+p}, \quad |t| < 1, \tag{2.7}$$

where $a_p(w)$ is the coefficient of t^{w+p} in the expansion of $\left(\sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^p}{p} \right)^w$ [see Balakrishnan and Cohen [2], p - 44], (2.6) can be expressed as

$$I_j(a, b) = A \alpha \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \binom{j}{w} \lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w) \int_0^1 t^{\alpha[a+u(m+1)+1]+w+p-1} dt$$

and hence the result given in (2.2).

When $m = -1$, we have

$$I_j(a, b) = \frac{0}{0} \quad \text{as} \quad \sum_{u=0}^b (-1)^u \binom{b}{u} = 0.$$

Since (2.2) is of the form $\frac{0}{0}$ at $m = -1$, therefore, we have

$$I_j(a, b) = A^* \sum_{u=0}^b (-1)^u \binom{b}{u} \frac{[\alpha\{a+u(m+1)+1\}+w+p]^{-1}}{(m+1)^b}, \tag{2.8}$$

where

$$A^* = \alpha \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \binom{j}{w} \lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w).$$

Differentiating numerator and denominator of (2.8) b times with respect to m , we get

$$I_j(a,b) = A^* \alpha^b \sum_{u=0}^b (-1)^{u+b} \binom{b}{u} \frac{u^b}{[\alpha\{a+u(m+1)+1\}+w+p]^{b+1}}, b > 0.$$

On applying L' Hospital rule, we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow -1} I_j(a,b) = A^* \alpha^b \sum_{u=0}^b (-1)^{u+b} \binom{b}{u} \frac{u^b}{[\alpha(a+1)+w+p]^{b+1}}. \tag{2.9}$$

But for all integers $n \geq 0$ and for all real numbers x , we have Ruiz [12]

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \binom{n}{i} (x-i)^n = n!. \tag{2.10}$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{u=0}^b (-1)^{u+b} \binom{b}{u} u^b = b!. \tag{2.11}$$

Now on substituting (2.11) in (2.9) and simplifying the resulting expression, we have the result given in (2.3).

Theorem 2.1 For generalized exponential distribution as given in (1.4) and $1 \leq r \leq n, k = 1, 2, \dots, m \neq -1,$

$$E[X^{*j}(r,n,m,k)] = \frac{C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!} I_j(\gamma_r - 1, r - 1) \tag{2.12}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!(m+1)^{r-1}} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} (-1)^u \binom{r-1}{u} \binom{j}{w} \frac{\lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w)}{(\alpha \gamma_{r-u} + w + p)}, \tag{2.13}$$

where $I_j(\gamma_r - 1, r - 1)$ is as defined in (2.4).

Proof From (1.2), we have

$$E[X^{*j}(r,n,m,k)] = \frac{C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!} \int_{\theta}^{\infty} x^j [F(x)]^{\gamma_r - 1} f(x) g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) dx$$

and hence the result given in (2.12).

Making use of (2.2) in (2.12), we establish the result given in (2.13).

Identity 2.1 For $\gamma_r \geq 1, k \geq 1, 1 \leq r \leq n$ and $m \neq -1,$

$$\sum_{u=0}^{r-1} (-1)^u \binom{r-1}{u} \frac{1}{\gamma_{r-u}} = \frac{(r-1)!(m+1)^{r-1}}{\prod_{t=1}^r \gamma_t}. \tag{2.14}$$

Proof At $j = 0$ in (2.13), we have

$$1 = \frac{\alpha C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!(m+1)^{r-1}} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} (-1)^u \binom{r-1}{u} \frac{a_p(0)}{(\alpha \gamma_{r-u} + p)}.$$

Note that, if $w=0$, then the summation $\left(\sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^p}{p}\right)^w$ given in (2.7) is equal to unity, so $a_p(0) = 1$, $p=0$ and $a_p(0) = 0$, $p > 0$,

and hence the result given in (2.14).

Special cases

i) Putting $m=0$, $k=1$ in (2.13), the exact expression for the single moments of order statistics of the generalized exponential distribution can be obtained as

$$E[X_{n-r+1:n}^j] = \alpha C_{r:n} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} (-1)^u \binom{r-1}{u} \binom{j}{w} \frac{\lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w)}{[\alpha(n-r+1+u) + w + p]}.$$

That is

$$E[X_{r:n}^j] = \alpha C_{r:n} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \sum_{u=0}^{n-r} (-1)^u \binom{n-r}{u} \binom{j}{w} \frac{\lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w)}{[\alpha(r+u) + w + p]},$$

where

$$C_{r:n} = \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(n-r)!}.$$

ii) Putting $m=-1$ in (2.13), we deduce the exact expression for the single moment of lower k record values for the generalized exponential distribution in view of (2.12) and (2.3) in the form

$$E[X^{*j}(r, n, -1, k)] = E[(Z_r^{(k)})^j] = (\alpha k)^r \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \binom{j}{w} \frac{\lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w)}{(\alpha k + w + p)^r}$$

and hence for lower records

$$E[(Z_r^{(1)})^j] = E[X_{L(r)}^j] = \alpha^r \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w=0}^j \binom{j}{w} \frac{\lambda^w \theta^{j-w} a_p(w)}{(\alpha + w + p)^r}.$$

A recurrence relation for single moment of l gos from df (1.5) is obtained in the following theorem.

Theorem 2.2 For the distribution as given in (1.5) and for $2 \leq r \leq n$, $n \geq 2$ and $k = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$E[X^{*j}(r, n, m, k)] - E[X^{*j}(r-1, n, m, k)] = \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha\gamma_r} \{E[X^{*j-1}(r, n, m, k)] - E[\phi(X^*(r, n, m, k))]\}, \tag{2.15}$$

where

$$\phi(x) = x^{j-1} e^{(x-\theta)/\lambda}.$$

Proof Khan et al. [8] have shown that for $1 \leq r \leq n$, $n \geq 2$ and $k = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$E[X^{*j}(r, n, m, k)] - E[X^{*j}(r-1, n, m, k)] = -\frac{j C_{r-1}}{\gamma_r (r-1)!} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} x^{j-1} [F(x)]^{\gamma_r} g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) dx. \tag{2.16}$$

Upon substituting for $F(x)$ from (2.1) in (2.16) and simplifying the resulting expression, we derive the relation given in theorem 2.2.

Remark 2.1 Putting $m = 0$, $k = 1$ in (2.15), we obtain a recurrence relation for single moment of order statistics of the generalized exponential distribution in the form

$$E[X_{n-r+1:n}^j] = E[X_{n-r+2:n}^j] + \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha(n-r+1)} \{E[X_{n-r+1:n}^{j-1}] - E[\phi(X_{n-r+1:n})]\}.$$

Replacing $(n-r+1)$ by $(r-1)$, we have

$$E[X_{r:n}^j] = E[X_{r-1:n}^j] - \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha(r-1)} \{E[X_{r-1:n}^{j-1}] - E[\phi(X_{r-1:n})]\}.$$

Remark 2.2 Setting $m = -1$ and $k \geq 1$ in theorem 2.2, we get a recurrence relation for single moment of lower k record values from generalized exponential distribution in the form

$$E[(Z_r^{(k)})^j] = E[(Z_{r-1}^{(k)})^j] + \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha k} \{E[(Z_r^{(k)})^{j-1}] - E[\phi(Z_r^{(k)})]\}.$$

3 Product moments

Before coming to the main results we shall prove the following Lemmas.

Lemma 3.1 For generalized exponential distribution as given in (1.4) and non-negative integers a, b, c with $m \neq -1$,

$$I_{i,j}(a, 0, c) = \alpha^2 \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)} a_p(w_1)}{[\alpha(c+1) + w + p]} \times \frac{a_q(w_2)}{[\alpha(a+c+2) + w_1 + w_2 + p + q]}, \quad (3.1)$$

where

$$I_{i,j}(a, b, c) = \int_{\theta}^{\infty} \int_{\theta}^x x^i y^j [F(x)]^a f(x) [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^b [F(y)]^c f(y) dy dx. \quad (3.2)$$

Proof From (3.2), we have

$$I_{i,j}(a, 0, c) = \int_{\theta}^{\infty} x^i [F(x)]^a f(x) I(x) dx, \quad (3.3)$$

where

$$I(x) = \int_{\theta}^x y^j [F(y)]^c f(y) dy. \quad (3.4)$$

By setting $z = [F(y)]^{1/\alpha}$ in (3.4), we get

$$I(x) = \alpha \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \binom{j}{w_1} \frac{\lambda^{w_1} \theta^{j-w_1} \alpha_p(w_1) [F(x)]^{c+1+(w_1+p)/\alpha}}{[\alpha(c+1) + w_1 + p]}.$$

On substituting the above expression of $I(x)$ in (3.3), we find that

$$I_{i,j}(a, 0, c) = \alpha \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \binom{j}{w_1} \frac{\lambda^{w_1} \theta^{j-w_1} \alpha_p(w_1)}{[\alpha(c+1) + w_1 + p]} \int_{\theta}^{\infty} x^i [F(x)]^{a+c+1+(w_1+p)/\alpha} f(x) dx. \quad (3.5)$$

Again by setting $t = [F(x)]^{1/\alpha}$ in (3.5) and simplifying the resulting expression, we establish the result given in (3.1).

Lemma 3.2 For the distribution as given in (1.5) and any non-negative integers a , b and c ,

$$I_{i,j}(a,b,c) = \frac{1}{(m+1)^b} \sum_{v=0}^b (-1)^v \binom{b}{v} I_{i,j}(a+(b-v)(m+1), 0, c+v(m+1)). \tag{3.6}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha^2}{(m+1)^b} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \sum_{v=0}^b (-1)^v \binom{b}{v} \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \times \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)} a_p(w_1) a_q(w_2)}{[\alpha\{c+1+v(m+1)\} + w + p][\alpha\{a+c+2+b(m+1)\} + w_1 + w_2 + p + q]}, \quad m \neq -1 \tag{3.7}$$

$$= b! \alpha^{b+2} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)}}{[\alpha(c+1) + w_1 + p]^{b+1}} \times \frac{a_p(w_1) a_q(w_2)}{[\alpha(a+c+2) + w_1 + w_2 + p + q]}, \quad m = -1, \tag{3.8}$$

where $I_{i,j}(a,b,c)$ is as given in (3.2).

Proof Expanding $[h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^b$ binomially in (3.2) after noting that $h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x)) = g_m(F(y)) - g_m(F(x))$, we get when $m \neq -1$

$$I_{i,j}(a,b,c) = \frac{1}{(m+1)^b} \sum_{v=0}^b (-1)^v \binom{b}{v} \int_{\theta}^{\infty} \int_{\theta}^x x^i y^j [F(x)]^{a+(b-v)(m+1)} f(x) [F(y)]^{c+v(m+1)} f(y) dy dx$$

and hence the result given in (3.6).

Making use of Lemma 3.1 in (3.6), we establish the result given in (3.7).

When $m = -1$, we have

$$I_{i,j}(a,b,c) = \frac{0}{0} \text{ as } \sum_{v=0}^b (-1)^v \binom{b}{v} = 0.$$

On applying L' Hospital rule and then using (2.11), (3.8) can be proved on the lines of (2.3).

Theorem 3.1 For generalized exponential distribution as given in (1.5) and for $1 \leq r < s \leq n$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$, $m \neq -1$,

$$E[X^{*i}(r,n,m,k) X^{*j}(s,n,m,k)] = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(m+1)^{r-1}} \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} (-1)^u \binom{r-1}{u} \times I_{i,j}(m+(m+1)u, s-r-1, \gamma_s - 1) \tag{3.9}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha^2 C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(m+1)^{s-2}} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} \sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^{u+v} \binom{r-1}{u} \binom{s-r-1}{v} \times \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)} a_p(w_1) a_q(w_2)}{[\alpha \gamma_{s-v} + w_1 + p][\alpha \gamma_{r-u} + w_1 + w_2 + p + q]}. \tag{3.10}$$

Proof From (1.3), we have

$$E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k) X^{*j}(s, n, m, k)] = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!} \int_{\theta}^{\infty} \int_{\theta}^x x^i y^j [F(x)]^m f(x) \\ \times g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^{s-r-1} [F(y)]^{\gamma_s-1} f(y) dy dx. \quad (3.11)$$

On expanding $g_m^{r-1}(F(x))$ binomially in (3.11) and simplifying the resulting expression, we have the result given in (3.9).

Making use of (3.7) in (3.9), we establish the relation given in (3.10).

Identity 3.1 For $\gamma_r, \gamma_s \geq 1, k \geq 1, 1 \leq r < s \leq n$ and $m \neq -1$,

$$\sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^v \binom{s-r-1}{v} \frac{1}{\gamma_{s-v}} = \frac{(s-r-1)!(m+1)^{s-r-1}}{\prod_{t=r+1}^s \gamma_t}. \quad (3.12)$$

Proof At $i = j = 0$ in (3.10), we have

$$1 = \frac{\alpha^2 C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(m+1)^{s-2}} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} \sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^{u+v} \binom{r-1}{u} \\ \times \binom{s-r-1}{v} \frac{a_p(0) a_q(0)}{(\alpha \gamma_{s-v} + p)(\alpha \gamma_{r-u} + p + q)},$$

where

$$a_p(0) = 1, a_q(0) = 1, p, q = 0$$

and

$$a_p(0) = 0, a_q(0) = 0, p, q > 0.$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^v \binom{s-r-1}{v} \frac{1}{\gamma_{s-v}} = \frac{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(m+1)^{s-2}}{C_{s-1} \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} (-1)^u \binom{r-1}{u} \frac{1}{\gamma_{r-u}}}.$$

Now on using (2.14), we get the result given in (3.12).

At $r = 0$, (3.12) reduces to (2.14).

Special cases

i) Putting $m = 0, k = 1$ in (3.10), the exact expression for the product moments of order statistics of the generalized exponential distribution is obtained as

$$E[X_{n-r+1:n}^i X_{n-s+1:n}^j] = \alpha^2 C_{r,s;n} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} \sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^{u+v} \binom{r-1}{u} \binom{s-r-1}{v} \\ \times \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)} a_p(w_1) a_q(w_2)}{[\alpha(n-s+1+v) + w_1 + p][\alpha(n-r+1+u) + w_1 + w_2 + p + q]}.$$

That is

$$E[X_{r:n}^i X_{s:n}^j] = \alpha^2 C_{r,s;n} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \sum_{u=0}^{n-s-r-1} \sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^{u+v} \binom{n-s}{u} \binom{s-r-1}{v} \\ \times \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)} a_p(w_1) a_q(w_2)}{[\alpha(r+v) + w_1 + p][\alpha(s+u) + w_1 + w_2 + p + q]},$$

where $C_{r,s;n} = \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!}$.

ii) Putting $m = -1$ in (3.10), we deduce the explicit expression for the product moments of lower k record values for generalized exponential distribution in view of (3.9) and (3.8) in the form

$$E[(Z_r^{(k)})^i (Z_s^{(k)})^j] = (\alpha k)^s \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)} a_p(w_1) a_q(w_2)}{(\alpha k + w_1 + p)^{s-r} (\alpha k + w_1 + w_2 + p + q)^r}$$

and hence for lower records

$$E[X_{L(r)}^i X_{L(s)}^j] = \alpha^s \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_1=0}^j \sum_{w_2=0}^i \binom{j}{w_1} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_1+w_2} \theta^{i+j-(w_1+w_2)} a_p(w_1) a_q(w_2)}{(\alpha + w_1 + p)^{s-r} (\alpha + w_1 + w_2 + p + q)^r}.$$

Making use of (2.1), we can derive recurrence relations for product moments of l gos from (1.5).

Theorem 3.2 For the distribution as given in (1.5) and for $1 \leq r < s \leq n$, $n \geq 2$ and $k = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k) X^{*j}(s, n, m, k)] - E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k) X^{*j}(s-1, n, m, k)] \\ = \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha \gamma_s} \{E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k) X^{*j-1}(s, n, m, k)] - E[\phi(X^*(r, n, m, k) X^*(s, n, m, k))]\}, \quad (3.13)$$

where

$$\phi(x, y) = x^i y^{j-1} e^{(y-\theta)/\lambda}.$$

Proof Khan et al. [8] have shown that for $1 \leq r < s \leq n-1$, $n \geq 2$ and $k = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k) X^{*j}(s, n, m, k)] - E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k) X^{*j}(s-1, n, m, k)] \\ = - \frac{j C_{s-1}}{\gamma_s (r-1)!(s-r-1)!} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{\alpha}^x x^i y^{j-1} [F(x)]^m f(x) g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) \\ \times [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^{s-r-1} [F(y)]^{\gamma_s} dy dx, \quad x > y. \quad (3.14)$$

Now on using (2.1) in (3.14), we have the result given in (3.13).

Remark 3.1 Putting $m = 0$, $k = 1$ in (3.13), we obtain recurrence relations for product moments of order statistics of the generalized exponential distribution in the form

$$E[X_{n-r+1:n}^i X_{n-s+1:n}^j] - E[X_{n-r+1:n}^i X_{n-s+2:n}^j] = \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha(n-s+1)} \\ \times \{E[X_{n-r+1:n}^i X_{n-s+1:n}^{j-1}] - E[\phi(X_{n-r+1:n} X_{n-s+1:n})]\}.$$

That is

$$E[X_{r:n}^i X_{s:n}^j] = E[X_{r-1:n}^i X_{s:n}^j] - \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha(r-1)} \{E[X_{r-1:n}^{i-1} X_{s:n}^j] - E[\phi(X_{r-1:n} X_{s:n})]\}.$$

Remark 3.2 Setting $m = -1$ and $k \geq 1$, in (3.13), we obtain the recurrence relations for product moments of lower k record values from generalized exponential distribution in the form

$$E[(X_{L(r)}^{(k)})^i (X_{L(s)}^{(k)})^j] - E[(X_{L(r)}^{(k)})^i (X_{L(s-1)}^{(k)})^j] = \frac{j\lambda}{\alpha k} \{E[(X_{L(r)}^{(k)})^i (X_{L(s)}^{(k)})^{j-1}] - E[\phi(X_{L(r)}^{(k)})(X_{L(s)}^{(k)})]\}.$$

Remark 3.3 At $j = 0$ in (3.10), we have

$$E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k)] = \frac{\alpha^2 C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(m+1)^{s-2}} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_2=0}^i \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} \sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^{u+v} \times \binom{i}{w_2} \binom{r-1}{u} \binom{s-r-1}{v} \frac{\lambda^{w_2} \theta^{i-w_2} a_p(0) a_q(w_2)}{(\alpha \gamma_{s-v} + p)(\alpha \gamma_{r-u} + w_2 + p + q)},$$

where

$$a_p(0) = 1, p = 0 \text{ and } a_p(0) = 0, p > 0.$$

Therefore,

$$E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k)] = \frac{\alpha C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(m+1)^{s-2}} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_2=0}^i \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} \sum_{v=0}^{s-r-1} (-1)^{u+v} \times \binom{r-1}{u} \binom{s-r-1}{v} \binom{i}{w_2} \frac{\lambda^{w_2} \theta^{i-w_2} a_q(w_2)}{\gamma_{s-v}(\alpha \gamma_{r-u} + w_2 + q)}. \tag{3.15}$$

Making use of (3.12) in (3.15) and simplifying the resulting expression, we get

$$E[X^{*i}(r, n, m, k)] = \frac{\alpha C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!(m+1)^{r-1}} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{w_2=0}^i \sum_{u=0}^{r-1} (-1)^u \binom{r-1}{u} \frac{\lambda^{w_2} \theta^{i-w_2} a_q(w_2)}{(\alpha \gamma_{r-u} + w_2 + q)}$$

as obtained in (2.13).

Remark 3.4 At $i = 0$, Theorem 3.2 reduces to Theorem 2.2.

4 Characterization

Let $X^*(r, n, m, k)$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be l gos from a continuous population with *df* $F(x)$ and *pdf* $f(x)$, then the conditional *pdf* of $X^*(s, n, m, k)$ given $X^*(r, n, m, k) = x$, $1 \leq r < s \leq n$, in view of (1.3) and (1.2), is

$$f_{X^*(s, n, m, k) | X^*(r, n, m, k)}(y | x) = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(s-r-1)! C_{r-1}} [F(x)]^{m-\gamma_r+1} \times [(h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x)))^{s-r-1} [F(y)]^{\gamma_s-1} f(y)]. \tag{4.1}$$

Theorem 4.1 Let X be a non negative random variable having an absolutely continuous distribution function $F(x)$ with $F(0) = 0$ and $0 < F(x) < 1$ for all $x > 0$, then

$$E[X^*(s, n, m, k) | X^*(l, n, m, k) = x] = \lambda \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda})^p}{p} \prod_{j=1}^{s-l} \left(\frac{\gamma_{l+j}}{\gamma_{l+j} + p/\alpha} \right) + \theta,$$

$$l = r, r+1 \quad (4.2)$$

if and only if

$$F(x) = [1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]^\alpha, \quad x > \theta, \alpha, \lambda > 0.$$

Proof: From (4.1), we have

$$E[X^*(s, n, m, k) | X^*(r, n, m, k) = x] = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(s-r-1)! C_{r-1}(m+1)^{s-r-1}} \times \int_{\theta}^x y \left[1 - \left(\frac{F(y)}{F(x)} \right)^{m+1} \right]^{s-r-1} \left(\frac{F(y)}{F(x)} \right)^{\gamma_s-1} \frac{f(y)}{F(x)} dy. \quad (4.3)$$

By setting $u = \frac{F(y)}{F(x)} = \left(\frac{1 - e^{-(y-\theta)/\lambda}}{1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}} \right)^\alpha$ from (1.5) in (4.3), we obtain

$$E[X^*(s, n, m, k) | X^*(r, n, m, k) = x] = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(s-r-1)! C_{r-1}(m+1)^{s-r-1}} \times \int_0^1 [(-\lambda \ln\{1 - (1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda})u^{1/\alpha}\}) + \theta] u^{\gamma_s-1} (1-u^{m+1})^{s-r-1} du = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(s-r-1)! C_{r-1}(m+1)^{s-r-1}} (A_1 + A_2), \quad (4.4)$$

where

$$A_1 = \lambda \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{[1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]^p}{p} \int_0^1 u^{(p/\alpha)+\gamma_s-1} (1-u^{m+1})^{s-r-1} du \quad (4.5)$$

and

$$A_2 = \theta \int_0^1 u^{\gamma_s-1} (1-u^{m+1})^{s-r-1} du \quad (4.6)$$

Again by setting $t = u^{m+1}$ in (4.5) and (4.6), we get

$$A_1 = (m+1)^{s-r-1} \Gamma(s-r) \lambda \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda})^p}{p \prod_{j=1}^{s-r} (\gamma_{r+j} + p/\alpha)}$$

$$A_2 = \frac{\theta (m+1)^{s-r-1} \Gamma(s-r)}{\prod_{j=1}^{s-r} \gamma_{r+j}}$$

Substituting these expressions for A_1 and A_2 in equation (4.4) and simplifying the resulting expression, we derive the relation given in (4.2).

To prove sufficient part, we have from (4.1) and (4.2)

$$\frac{C_{s-1}}{(s-r-1)!C_{r-1}(m+1)^{s-r-1}} \int_{\theta}^x y[(F(x))^{m+1} - (F(y))^{m+1}]^{s-r-1} \times [F(y)]^{\gamma_s-1} f(y) dy = [F(x)]^{\gamma_{r+1}} H_r(x), \quad (4.7)$$

where

$$H_r(x) = \lambda \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda})^p}{p} \prod_{j=1}^{s-r} \left(\frac{\gamma_{r+j}}{\gamma_{r+j} + p/\alpha} \right) + \theta.$$

Differentiating (4.7) both sides with respect to x , we get

$$\frac{C_{s-1}[F(x)]^m f(x)}{(s-r-2)!C_{r-1}(m+1)^{s-r-2}} \int_{\theta}^x y[(F(x))^{m+1} - (F(y))^{m+1}]^{s-r-2} [F(y)]^{\gamma_s-1} f(y) dy = H'_r(x)[F(x)]^{\gamma_{r+1}} + \gamma_{r+1} H_r(x)[F(x)]^{\gamma_{r+1}-1} f(x)$$

or

$$\gamma_{r+1} H_{r+1}(x)[F(x)]^{\gamma_{r+2}+m} f(x) = H'_r(x)[F(x)]^{\gamma_{r+1}} + \gamma_{r+1} H_r(x)[F(x)]^{\gamma_{r+1}-1} f(x),$$

where

$$H'_r(x) = e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda} \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} [1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]^{p-1} \prod_{j=1}^{s-r} \left(\frac{\gamma_{r+j}}{\gamma_{r+j} + p/\alpha} \right),$$

$$H_{r+1}(x) - H_r(x) = \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} [1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]^p \prod_{j=1}^{s-r} \left(\frac{\gamma_{r+j}}{\gamma_{r+j} + p/\alpha} \right) \frac{\lambda}{\alpha \gamma_{r+1}}.$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{f(x)}{F(x)} = \frac{H'_r(x)}{\gamma_{r+1}[H_{r+1}(x) - H_r(x)]}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}}{\lambda [1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]}$$

which proves that

$$F(x) = [1 - e^{-(x-\theta)/\lambda}]^{\alpha}, x > \theta, \alpha, \lambda > 0.$$

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