

Relations for Moments of Generalized Order Statistics from Power Lomax Distribution

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Abstract: Kamps [9] introduced the concept of generalized order statistics, as a common approach to various ordered random schemes, such as, order statistics, record values, sequential order statistics, progressively type II censored order statistics, Pfeifers records etc. The study of recurrence relations between moments has been of special interest to researchers. In this paper, recurrence relations for single and product moments of generalized order statistics have been derived for Power Lomax distribution, proposed by Rady [21]. Further, results are deduced for order statistics and records. At the end, some characterization theorems of this distribution are also presented.

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1 Introduction

The Power Lomax (POLO) distribution was proposed and studied by Rady [21], as a new extension of the Lomax distribution. It provides a much more flexible model for life time data as compared to its predecessor Lomax distributions since it can accommodate both inverted bathtub as well as decreasing hazard rate function.

A random variable X is said to follow the Power Lomax (POLO) distribution if its *pdf* is of the form

$$f(x) = \alpha\beta\lambda^\alpha x^{\beta-1}(\lambda + x^\beta)^{-\alpha-1}, \quad x > 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \lambda > 0. \quad (1)$$

and the corresponding survival function is

$$\bar{F}(x) = \lambda^\alpha(\lambda + x^\beta)^{-\alpha}, \quad x > 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \lambda > 0, \quad (2)$$

where

$$\bar{F}(x) = 1 - F(x).$$

In view of (1) and (2), we have

$$\bar{F}(x) = \frac{(\lambda + x^\beta)x^{1-\beta}}{\alpha\beta} f(x). \quad (3)$$

Let $n \geq 2$ be a given integer and $\tilde{m} = (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$, $k \geq 1$ be the parameters, such that

$$\gamma_i = k + n - i + \sum_{j=i}^{n-1} m_j \geq 0, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n - 1.$$

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The random variables $X(1, n, \tilde{m}, k), X(2, n, \tilde{m}, k), \dots, X(n, n, \tilde{m}, k)$ are said to be generalized order statistics (*gos*) from an absolutely continuous distribution function $F(\cdot)$ with the probability density function (*pdf*) $f(\cdot)$, if their joint *pdf* is of the form

$$k \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \gamma_j \right) \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} [1 - F(x_i)]^{m_i} f(x_i) \right) [1 - F(x_n)]^{k-1} f(x_n) \quad (4)$$

on the cone $F^{-1}(0) < x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_n < F^{-1}(1)$.

If $m_i = m = 0; i = 1 \dots n - 1, k = 1$, we obtain the joint *pdf* of the order statistics and for $m = -1, k \in \mathbb{N}$, we get joint *pdf* of k^{th} record values.

Recurrence relations for moments of *gos* for various distributions have been investigated by several authors. For detailed survey, one may refer to Athar and Islam [2], Anwar *et al.* [5], Khan *et al.* [14], Athar *et al.* [3], Keseling [12], Kamps and Cramer [11], Khwaja *et al.* [17], Nayabuddin and Athar [19], Singh *et al.* [22] and references therein.

The characterization of probability distributions, through different approaches, has been considered in the literature. The method of characterization through recurrence relations between moments of order statistics was given by Kamps [10]. For additional information on the topic, one may refer to Khan and Khan [15], Athar and Nayabuddin [4], Khan and Zia [16] among others. Several characterization results through truncated moments can be seen in the works of Galambos and Kotz [6], Kotz and Shanbhag [18], Glänzel [7], Ahsanullah *et al.* [1] and the references cited there.

2 Single Moments

Here we may consider two cases:

Case I. $\gamma_i \neq \gamma_j, i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1, i \neq j$.

In view of (4), the *pdf* of r^{th} *gos* $X(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)$ is given as (Kamps and Cramer [11])

$$f_{X(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)}(x) = C_{r-1} f(x) \sum_{i=1}^r a_i(r) [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_i - 1}, \quad (5)$$

where

$$C_{r-1} = \prod_{i=1}^r \gamma_i, \quad \gamma_i = k + n - i + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} m_j > 0,$$

and

$$a_i(r) = \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^r \frac{1}{(\gamma_j - \gamma_i)}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq r \leq n.$$

Case II. $m_i = m, i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$.

The *pdf* of r^{th} *gos* $X(r, n, m, k)$ is given as (Kamps [9])

$$f_{X(r, n, m, k)}(x) = \frac{C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!} [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_r - 1} f(x) g_m^{r-1}(F(x)), \quad (6)$$

where

$$C_{r-1} = \prod_{i=1}^r \gamma_i, \quad \gamma_i = k + (n - i)(m + 1),$$

$$h_m(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{m+1} (1-x)^{m+1} & , m \neq -1 \\ \log\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right) & , m = -1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$g_m(x) = h_m(x) - h_m(0) = \int_0^x (1-t)^m dt, \quad x \in [0, 1).$$

Theorem 2.1. Let Case I be satisfied. For the Power Lomax distribution as given in (1) and $n \in \mathbb{N}, \tilde{m} \in \mathbb{R}, k > 0, 1 \leq r \leq n, j = 1, 2, \dots$

$$E[X^j(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)] - E[X^j(r-1, n, \tilde{m}, k)] = \frac{j}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta} \left[E[X^j(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)] + \lambda E[X^{j-\beta}(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)] \right]. \tag{7}$$

Proof. We have, by Athar and Islam [2],

$$E[\xi \{X(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)\}] - E[\xi \{X(r-1, n, \tilde{m}, k)\}] = C_{r-2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \xi'(x) \sum_{i=1}^r a_i(r) [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_i} dx.$$

Let $\xi(x) = x^j$, then

$$E[X^j(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)] - E[X^j(r-1, n, \tilde{m}, k)] = j C_{r-2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{j-1} \sum_{i=1}^r a_i(r) [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_i} dx.$$

In view of (3), we have

$$E[X^j(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)] - E[X^j(r-1, n, \tilde{m}, k)] = \frac{j C_{r-1}}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta} \int_0^{\infty} (\lambda + x^\beta) x^{1-\beta} x^{j-1} \sum_{i=1}^r a_i(r) [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_i-1} f(x) dx,$$

which after simplification yields (7).

Remark 2.1. Let $m_i = m, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, then the recurrence relation for single moments of *gos* for Case II is given by

$$E[X^j(r, n, m, k)] - E[X^j(r-1, n, m, k)] = \frac{j}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta} \left[E[X^j(r, n, m, k)] + \lambda E[X^{j-\beta}(r, n, m, k)] \right]. \tag{8}$$

Remark 2.2. Let $m_i = 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and $k = 1$, then the recurrence relation for single moments of order statistics is

$$E(X_{r,n}^j) - E(X_{r-1,n}^j) = \frac{j}{(n-r+1)\alpha\beta} \left[E(X_{r,n}^j) + \lambda E(X_{r,n}^{j-\beta}) \right].$$

Remark 2.3. For $m_i = -1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, the recurrence relation for single moments of k^{th} record values will be

$$E(X_{U(r)}^{(k)})^j - E(X_{U(r-1)}^{(k)})^j = \frac{j}{k\alpha\beta} \left[E(X_{U(r)}^{(k)})^j + \lambda E(X_{U(r)}^{(k)})^{j-\beta} \right].$$

3 Product Moments

Case I. $\gamma_i \neq \gamma_j; i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1, i \neq j$.

The joint *pdf* of $X(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)$ and $X(s, n, \tilde{m}, k), 1 \leq r < s \leq n$, is given as (Kamps and Cramer [11])

$$f_{X(r,n,\tilde{m},k),X(s,n,\tilde{m},k)}(x,y) = C_{s-1} \sum_{i=r+1}^s a_i^{(r)}(s) \left(\frac{\bar{F}(y)}{\bar{F}(x)} \right)^{\gamma_i} \left[\sum_{i=1}^r a_i(r) [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_i} \right] \times \frac{f(x)}{\bar{F}(x)} \frac{f(y)}{\bar{F}(y)}, \quad x < y, \tag{9}$$

where

$$a_i^{(r)}(s) = \prod_{\substack{j=r+1 \\ j \neq i}}^s \frac{1}{(\gamma_j - \gamma_i)}, \quad r+1 \leq i \leq s \leq n.$$

Case II. $m_i = m, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$.

The joint *pdf* of $X(r, n, m, k)$ and $X(s, n, m, k)$, $1 \leq r < s \leq n$, is given as (Pawlas and Syzmal [20])

$$f_{X(r,n,m,k),X(s,n,m,k)}(x,y) = \frac{C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!} [\bar{F}(x)]^m g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) \\ \times [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^{s-r-1} [\bar{F}(y)]^{s-1} f(x)f(y), \quad -\infty \leq x < y \leq \infty. \quad (10)$$

Theorem 3.1. Let Case I be satisfied. For the Power Lomax distribution as given in (1) and $n \in \mathbb{N}, \tilde{m} \in \mathbb{R}, k > 0, 1 \leq r < s \leq n, i, j = 1, 2, \dots$

$$E[X^i(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)X^j(s, n, \tilde{m}, k)] - E[X^i(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)X^j(s-1, n, \tilde{m}, k)] \\ = \frac{j}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta} \left[E[X^i(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)X^j(s, n, \tilde{m}, k)] + \lambda E[X^i(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)X^{j-\beta}(s, n, \tilde{m}, k)] \right]. \quad (11)$$

Proof. We have by Athar and Islam [2],

$$E[\xi \{X(r, n, \tilde{m}, k), X(s, n, \tilde{m}, k)\}] - E[\xi \{X(r, n, \tilde{m}, k), X(s-1, n, \tilde{m}, k)\}] \\ = C_{s-2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_x^{\infty} \frac{d}{dy} \xi(x, y) \sum_{i=r+1}^s a_i^{(r)}(s) \left[\frac{\bar{F}(y)}{\bar{F}(x)} \right]^{\gamma_i} \sum_{i=1}^r a_i(r) [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_i} \frac{f(x)}{\bar{F}(x)} dy dx.$$

Let $\xi(x, y) = \xi_1(x)\xi_2(y) = x^i y^j$. Then in view of (3), we get

$$E[X^i(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)X^j(s, n, \tilde{m}, k)] - E[X^i(r, n, \tilde{m}, k)X^j(s-1, n, \tilde{m}, k)] \\ = \frac{j C_{s-1}}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta} \int_0^{\infty} \int_x^{\infty} (\lambda + y^\beta) y^{1-\beta} x^i y^{j-1} \sum_{i=r+1}^s a_i^{(r)}(s) \left[\frac{\bar{F}(y)}{\bar{F}(x)} \right]^{\gamma_i} \\ \times \sum_{i=1}^r a_i(r) [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_i} \frac{f(x)}{\bar{F}(x)} \frac{f(y)}{\bar{F}(y)} dy dx,$$

which upon simplification leads to (11).

Remark 3.1. Let $m_i = m, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, then the recurrence relation for product moments of *gos* for *Case II* is given by

$$E[X^i(r, n, m, k)X^j(s, n, m, k)] - E[X^i(r, n, m, k)X^j(s-1, n, m, k)] \\ = \frac{j}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta} \left[E[X^i(r, n, m, k)X^j(s, n, m, k)] + \lambda E[X^i(r, n, m, k)X^{j-\beta}(s, n, m, k)] \right]. \quad (12)$$

Remark 3.2. Let $m_i = 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and $k = 1$, then the recurrence relation for product moments of order statistics is

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

Remark 3.3. For $m_i = -1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, the recurrence relation for product moments of k^{th} record values will be

$$E[(X_{U(r)}^{(k)})^i (X_{U(s)}^{(k)})^j] - E[(X_{U(r)}^{(k)})^i (X_{U(s-1)}^{(k)})^j] \\ = \frac{j}{k\alpha\beta} \left[E[(X_{U(r)}^{(k)})^i (X_{U(s)}^{(k)})^j] + \lambda E[(X_{U(r)}^{(k)})^i (X_{U(s)}^{(k)})^{j-\beta}] \right].$$

Remark 3.4. At $i = 0$ in (11), we get the relation for single moment as obtained in (7).

4 Characterizations

This section contains characterization results for the given distribution through recurrence relations for single and product moments of *gos* as well as through conditional expectation.

Theorem 4.1. Fix a positive integer k and let j be a non-negative integer. A necessary and sufficient condition for a random variable X to be distributed with *pdf* given by (1) is that

$$\left(1 - \frac{j}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta}\right) E[X^j(r, n, m, k)] = E[X^j(r-1, n, m, k)] + \frac{j\lambda}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta} E[X^{j-\beta}(r, n, m, k)]. \tag{13}$$

Proof. The necessary part follows from (8). On the other hand, if the relation in (13) is satisfied, then

$$\begin{aligned} E[X^j(r, n, m, k)] - E[X^j(r-1, n, m, k)] \\ = \frac{j}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta} \left[E[X^j(r, n, m, k)] + \lambda E[X^{j-\beta}(r, n, m, k)] \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now on using Athar and Islam [2] for $\xi(x) = x^j$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{j}{\gamma_r} \frac{C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!} \int_0^\infty x^{j-1} [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_r} g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) dx \\ = \frac{j}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta} \frac{C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!} \int_0^\infty x^{j-1} [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_r-1} g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) \left\{ x f(x) + \lambda x^{1-\beta} f(x) \right\} dx. \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\frac{j}{\gamma_r \alpha \beta} \frac{C_{r-1}}{(r-1)!} \int_0^\infty x^{j-1} [\bar{F}(x)]^{\gamma_r-1} g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) \left\{ \alpha \beta \bar{F}(x) - x f(x) - \lambda x^{1-\beta} f(x) \right\} dx = 0. \tag{14}$$

Applying the extension of Müntz – Szász theorem (see, for example, Hwang and Lin [8]) to (14), we get

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha \beta x^{\beta-1}}{(\lambda + x^\beta)} \bar{F}(x),$$

which proves the theorem.

Theorem 4.2. Fix a positive integer k and let i and j be non-negative integers. A necessary and sufficient condition for a random variable X to be distributed with *pdf* given by (1) is

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \frac{j}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta}\right) E[X^i(r, n, m, k) X^j(s, n, m, k)] = E[X^i(r, n, m, k) X^j(s-1, n, m, k)] \\ + \frac{j\lambda}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta} E[X^i(r, n, m, k) X^{j-\beta}(r, n, m, k)]. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Proof. The necessary part follows from (12). Now, suppose that the relation in (15) is satisfied, then

$$\begin{aligned} E[X^i(r, n, m, k) X^j(s, n, m, k)] - E[X^i(r, n, m, k) X^j(s-1, n, m, k)] \\ = \frac{j}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta} \left[E[X^i(r, n, m, k) X^j(s, n, m, k)] + \lambda E[X^i(r, n, m, k) X^{j-\beta}(s, n, m, k)] \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now by using Athar and Islam [2], for $\xi(x, y) = x^i y^j$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{j}{\gamma_s} \frac{C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!} \int_0^\infty \int_x^\infty x^i y^{j-1} [\bar{F}(x)]^m f(x) g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) \\ \times [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^{s-r-1} [\bar{F}(y)]^\gamma dy dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{j}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta} \frac{C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!} \int_0^\infty \int_x^\infty x^j y^{j-1} [\bar{F}(x)]^m f(x) g_m^{r-1}(F(x)) \\ \times [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^{s-r-1} [\bar{F}(y)]^{\gamma_s-1} \{y f(y) + \lambda y^{1-\beta} f(y)\} dy dx,$$

which implies

$$\frac{j}{\gamma_s \alpha \beta} \frac{C_{s-1}}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!} \int_0^\infty \int_x^\infty x^j y^{j-1} [\bar{F}(x)]^m f(x) g_m^{r-1}(x) [h_m(F(y)) - h_m(F(x))]^{s-r-1} \\ \times [\bar{F}(y)]^{\gamma_s-1} \{ \alpha \beta \bar{F}(y) - y f(y) - \lambda y^{1-\beta} f(y) \} dy dx = 0. \quad (16)$$

Applying the extension of Müntz – Szász theorem (see, for example, Hwang and Lin [8]) to (16), we get

$$f(y) = \frac{\alpha \beta y^{\beta-1}}{(\lambda + y^\beta)} \bar{F}(y).$$

Hence the theorem.

Theorem 4.3. Let $X(r, n, m, k)$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$ be the the r^{th} gos based on continuous $df F(\cdot)$ and $E(X)$ exists. Then for two consecutive values r and $r+1$, such that $1 \leq r < r+1 \leq n$,

$$E[X^\beta(r+1, n, m, k) | X(r, n, m, k) = x] = \frac{\alpha \gamma_{r+1}}{\alpha \gamma_{r+1} - 1} x^\beta + \frac{\lambda}{\alpha \gamma_{r+1} - 1} \quad (17)$$

if and only if

$$\bar{F}(x) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + x^\beta} \right)^\alpha, \quad x > 0; \alpha, \beta, \lambda > 0. \quad (18)$$

Proof. Khan and Alzaid [13] have shown that

$$E[h(X(s, n, m, k)) | X(r, n, m, k) = x] = a^* h(x) + b^* \quad (19)$$

if and only if

$$\bar{F}(x) = [ah(x) + b]^c \quad (20)$$

with $a^* = \prod_{j=r+1}^s \left(\frac{c \gamma_j}{1 + c \gamma_j} \right)$ and $b^* = -\frac{b}{a}(1 - a^*)$.

Comparing (18) with (20), we get

$$a = \frac{1}{\lambda}, b = 1, c = -\alpha, h(x) = x^\beta.$$

Thus, the theorem can be proved in view of (19).

Corollary 4.1. For the r^{th} order statistics $X_{r:n}$, $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and under the condition as stated under Theorem 4.3

$$E[X_{r+1:n}^\beta | X_{r:n} = x] = \frac{\alpha(n-r)x^\beta + \lambda}{\alpha(n-r) - 1}, \quad (21)$$

and consequently

$$E[X_{n:n}^\beta | X_{n-1:n} = x] = E[X^\beta | X \geq x] = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} x^\beta + \frac{\lambda}{\alpha-1} \quad (22)$$

if and only if

$$\bar{F}(x) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + x^\beta} \right)^\alpha, \quad x > 0; \alpha, \beta, \lambda > 0. \quad (23)$$

It may be noted that similar characterization result can also be seen for adjacent records as

$$E[X_{U(n)}^\beta | X_{U(n-1)} = x] = E[X^\beta | X \geq x] = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha-1} x^\beta + \frac{\lambda}{\alpha-1}. \quad (24)$$

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