

## Muliere and Scarsini's bivariate Pareto distribution: sums, products, and ratios

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### Abstract

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We derive the exact distributions of  $R = X + Y$ ,  $P = XY$  and  $W = X/(X + Y)$  and the corresponding moment properties when  $X$  and  $Y$  follow Muliere and Scarsini's bivariate Pareto distribution. The expressions turn out to involve special functions. We also provide extensive tabulations of the percentage points associated with the distributions. These tables –obtained using intensive computing power– will be of use to practitioners of the bivariate Pareto distribution.

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### 1 Introduction

Since the 1930s, the statistics literature has seen many developments in the theory and applications of linear combinations and ratios of random variables. Some of these include:

- Ratios of normal random variables appear as sampling distributions in single equation models, in simultaneous equations models, as posterior distributions for parameters of regression models and as modeling distributions, especially in

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economics when demand models involve the indirect utility function (details in Yatchew, 1986).

- Weighted sums of uniform random variables –in addition to the well known application to the generation of random variables– have applications in stochastic processes which in many cases can be modeled by these weighted sums. In computer vision algorithms these weighted sums play a pivotal role (Kamgar-Parsi *et al.*, 1995). An earlier application of the linear combinations of uniform random variables is given in connection with the distribution of errors in  $n$ th tabular differences  $\Delta^n$  (Lowan and Laderman, 1939).
- Ratio of linear combinations of chi-squared random variables are part of von Neumann's (1941) test statistics (mean square successive difference divided by the variance). These ratios appear in various two-stage tests (Toyoda and Ohtani, 1986). They are also used in tests on structural coefficients of a multivariate linear functional relationship model (details in Chaubey and Nur Enayet Talukder (1983) and Provost and Rudiuk (1994)).
- Sums of independent gamma random variables have applications in queuing theory problems such as determination of the total waiting time and in civil engineering problems such as determination of the total excess water flow into a dam. They also appear in test statistics used to determine the confidence limits for the coefficient of variation of fiber diameters (Linhart (1965) and Jackson (1969)) and in connection with the inference about the mean of the two-parameter gamma distribution (Grice and Bain, 1980).
- Linear combinations of inverted gamma random variables are used for testing hypotheses and interval estimation based on generalized  $p$ -values, specifically for the Behrens-Fisher problem and variance components in balanced mixed linear models (Witkovský, 2001).
- As to the Beta distributions their linear combinations occur in calculations of the power of a number of tests in ANOVA (Monti and Sen, 1976) among other applications. More generally, the linear combinations are used for detecting changes in the location of the distribution of a sequence of observations in quality control problems (Lai, 1974). Pham-Gia and Turkkan (1993, 1994, 1998, 2002) and Pham-Gia (2000) provided applications of sums and ratios to availability, Bayesian quality control and reliability.
- Linear combinations of the form  $T = a_1 t_{f_1} + a_2 t_{f_2}$ , where  $t_f$  denotes the Student  $t$  random variable based on  $f$  degrees of freedom, represents the Behrens-Fisher statistic and – as early as the middle of the twentieth century – Stein (1945) and Chapman (1950) developed a two-stage sampling procedure involving the  $T$  to test whether the ratio of two normal random variables is equal to a specified constant.

- Weighted sums of the Poisson parameters are used in medical applications for directly standardized mortality rates (Dobson *et al.*, 1991).

In this paper, we consider the distributions of  $R = X + Y$ ,  $P = XY$  and  $W = X/(X + Y)$  when  $X$  and  $Y$  are correlated Pareto random variables with the joint survivor function expressed as the mixture of two components:

$$\bar{F}(x, y) = \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \bar{F}_a(x, y) + \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \bar{F}_s(x, y), \quad (1)$$

where  $\bar{F}_a(x, y)$  is the absolutely continuous part with respect to Lebesgue measure given by

$$\bar{F}_a(x, y) = \left(\frac{x}{\beta}\right)^{-\lambda_1} \left(\frac{y}{\beta}\right)^{-\lambda_2} \left\{ \max\left(\frac{x}{\beta}, \frac{y}{\beta}\right) \right\}^{-\lambda_0} \quad (2)$$

and  $\bar{F}_s(x, y)$  is the singular part concentrating on the line  $x = y$  given by

$$\bar{F}_s(x, y) = \left\{ \max\left(\frac{x}{\beta}, \frac{y}{\beta}\right) \right\}^{-(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \quad (3)$$

for  $x \geq \beta$ ,  $y \geq \beta$ ,  $\beta > 0$ ,  $\lambda_0 > 0$ ,  $\lambda_1 > 0$  and  $\lambda_2 > 0$ . The joint density of the absolutely continuous part is:

$$f_a(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda_2(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)}{\beta^2} \left(\frac{x}{\beta}\right)^{-(1+\lambda_0+\lambda_1)} \left(\frac{y}{\beta}\right)^{-(1+\lambda_2)}, & \text{if } x > y \geq \beta, \\ \frac{\lambda_1(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2)}{\beta^2} \left(\frac{y}{\beta}\right)^{-(1+\lambda_0+\lambda_2)} \left(\frac{x}{\beta}\right)^{-(1+\lambda_1)}, & \text{if } y > x \geq \beta. \end{cases}$$

This distribution is due to Muliere and Scarsini (1987) and therefore known as Muliere and Scarsini's bivariate Pareto distribution. It has received applications in several areas especially in reliability (see, for example, Kotz *et al* (2000)).

The paper is organized as follows. In Sections 2 and 3, we derive explicit expressions for the pdfs and moments of  $R = X + Y$ ,  $P = XY$  and  $W = X/(X + Y)$ . In Section 4, we provide extensive tabulations of the associated percentage points, obtained by means of intensive computing power. These values will be of use to the practitioners of the bivariate Pareto distribution.

The calculations of this paper involve several special functions, including the incomplete beta function defined by

$$B_x(a, b) = \int_0^x t^{a-1} (1-t)^{b-1} dt$$

and, the Gauss hypergeometric function defined by

$$G(a, b; c; x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k (b)_k}{(c)_k} \frac{x^k}{k!},$$

where  $(e)_k = e(e+1)\cdots(e+k-1)$  denotes the ascending factorial. We also need the following important lemma.

**Lemma 1** (Equation (3.194.2), Gradshteyn and Ryzhik, 2000) For  $\mu > \nu$ ,

$$\int_u^{\infty} \frac{x^{\mu-1}}{(1+\beta x)^\nu} dx = \frac{u^{\mu-\nu}}{\beta^\nu (\nu-\mu)} G\left(\nu, \nu-\mu; \nu-\mu+1; -\frac{1}{\beta u}\right).$$

The properties of the above special functions can be found in Prudnikov *et al.* (1986) and Gradshteyn and Ryzhik (2000).

## 2 Probability density functions

Theorems 1 to 3 derive the pdfs of  $R = X + Y$ ,  $P = XY$  and  $W = X/(X + Y)$  when  $X$  and  $Y$  are distributed according to (1)–(3).

**Theorem 1** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) then

$$\begin{aligned} f_R(r) = & \frac{\lambda_0 (2\beta)^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2}}{r^{1+\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2}} + \frac{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)\beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2}}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)r^{1+\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2}} K_1(r) \\ & + \frac{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)\beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2}}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)r^{1+\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2}} K_2(r) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

for  $2\beta \leq r < \infty$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} K_1(r) = & \left(\frac{r}{\beta} - 1\right)^{\lambda_2} G\left(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, -\lambda_2; 1 - \lambda_2; -\frac{\beta}{r - \beta}\right) \\ & - G\left(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, -\lambda_2; 1 - \lambda_2; -1\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} K_2(r) = & G\left(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, -\lambda_1; 1 - \lambda_1; -1\right) \\ & - \left(\frac{r}{\beta} - 1\right)^{\lambda_1} G\left(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, -\lambda_1; 1 - \lambda_1; -\frac{\beta}{r - \beta}\right). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Set  $(R, W) = (X + Y, X/R)$  and note that the Jacobian is  $R$  for the continuous part and  $1/2$  for the singular part. From (1)–(3), the joint pdf of  $(R, W)$  can be written as

$$f(r, w) = \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} f_a(r, w) + \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} f_s(r, w), \quad (5)$$

where

$$f_a(r, w) = \begin{cases} \lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} r (rw)^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1)} (r(1 - w))^{-(1 + \lambda_2)}, & \text{if } w > 1/2, \\ \lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} r (rw)^{-(1 + \lambda_1)} (r(1 - w))^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2)}, & \text{if } w < 1/2 \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

and

$$f_s(r, w) = (1/2)(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} (rw)^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}. \quad (7)$$

Note that  $f_a(r, w)$  is the joint density of the absolutely continuous part and that  $f_s(r, w)$  is the density of the singular part along the line  $w = 1/2$ . Thus, the pdf of  $R$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} f_R(r) &= \frac{\lambda_0 (2\beta)^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2}}{r^{1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2}} + \frac{\lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2}}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2) r^{1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2}} I_1(r) \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2}}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2) r^{1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2}} I_2(r), \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where

$$I_1(r) = \int_{1/2}^{1 - \beta/r} w^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1)} (1 - w)^{-(1 + \lambda_2)} dw$$

and

$$I_2(r) = \int_{\beta/r}^{1/2} w^{-(1 + \lambda_1)} (1 - w)^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2)} dw.$$

These integrals can be calculated by application of Lemma 1. Setting  $u = w/(1 - w)$ , one can calculate

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(r) &= \int_1^{r/\beta - 1} u^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1)} (1 + u)^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} du \\ &= \lambda_2^{-1} K_1(r), \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

where the second step follows by application of Lemma 1. Similarly, setting  $u =$

$(1 - w)/w$ , one can show that

$$\begin{aligned} I_2(r) &= \int_{r/\beta-1}^1 u^{-(1+\lambda_0+\lambda_2)}(1+u)^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2} du \\ &= \lambda_1^{-1} K_2(r). \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

The result of the theorem follows by substituting (9) and (10) into (8).  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 2** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) then*

$$\begin{aligned} f_P(p) &= \frac{\lambda_2(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_0)(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2} p^{-(\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2)/2-1} \left\{ \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1-\lambda_2} p^{(\lambda_2-\lambda_1-\lambda_0)/2} - 1 \right\} \\ &\quad + (1/2)\lambda_0 \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2} p^{-(\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2)/2-1} \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda_1(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2 - \lambda_1)(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2} p^{-(1+\lambda_0+\lambda_2)} \left\{ p^{(\lambda_0+\lambda_2-\lambda_1)/2} - \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_2-\lambda_1} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

for  $\beta^2 < p < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Set  $(X, P) = (X, XY)$  and note that the Jacobian is  $1/X$ . From (1)–(3), the joint pdf of  $(X, P)$  can be written as

$$f(x, p) = \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} f_a(x, p) + \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} f_s(x, p),$$

where

$$f_a(x, p) = \begin{cases} \lambda_2(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2} x^{-(2+\lambda_0+\lambda_1)} (p/x)^{-(1+\lambda_2)}, & \text{if } x > \sqrt{p}, \\ \lambda_1(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2} x^{-(2+\lambda_1)} (p/x)^{-(1+\lambda_0+\lambda_2)}, & \text{if } x < \sqrt{p} \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_s(x, p) = (1/2)(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \beta^{\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2} p^{-(\lambda_0+\lambda_1+\lambda_2)/2-1}.$$

Note that  $f_a(x, p)$  is the joint density of the absolutely continuous part and that  $f_s(x, p)$  is the density of the singular part along the line  $x = \sqrt{p}$ . Thus, the pdf of  $P$  can be written

as

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_P(p) = & \frac{\lambda_2(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} p^{-(1 + \lambda_2)} \int_{\sqrt{p}}^{p/\beta} x^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 - \lambda_2)} dx \\
 & + (1/2)\lambda_0 \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} p^{-(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)/2 - 1} \\
 & + \frac{\lambda_1(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} p^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2)} \int_{\beta}^{\sqrt{p}} x^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_2 - \lambda_1 - 1} dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

The result of the theorem follows by elementary integration of the above integrals. ■

**Theorem 3** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) then*

$$f_W(w) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda_2(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2} \frac{(1 - w)^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 - 1}}{w^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + 1}}, & \text{if } w > 1/2, \\ \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2}, & \text{if } w = 1/2, \\ \frac{\lambda_1(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2} \frac{w^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_2 - 1}}{(1 - w)^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_2 + 1}}, & \text{if } w < 1/2 \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

for  $0 < w < 1$ .

*Proof.* Using (5)–(7), one can write

$$f_W(w) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda_2(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} w^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1)} (1 - w)^{-(1 + \lambda_2)} \\ \quad \times \int_{\beta/(1-w)}^{\infty} r^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} dr & \text{if } w > 1/2, \\ (1/2)\lambda_0 \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} w^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \int_{2\beta}^{\infty} r^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} dr, & \text{if } w = 1/2, \\ \frac{\lambda_1(\lambda_0 + \lambda_2)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} w^{-(1 + \lambda_1)} (1 - w)^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2)} \\ \quad \times \int_{\beta/w}^{\infty} r^{-(1 + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} dr & \text{if } w < 1/2. \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

The result of the theorem follows by elementary integration of the above integrals. ■

Using special properties of the hypergeometric functions, one can derive elementary forms for the pdf in (4). This is illustrated in the corollaries below.

**Corollary 1** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) and if  $\lambda_1 \geq 1$  is an integer then the pdf of  $R$  is given by (4) with*

$$K_2(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lambda_1} \frac{(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2)_k (-\lambda_1)_k (-1)^k}{(1 - \lambda_1)_k k!} - \left(\frac{r}{\beta} - 1\right)^{\lambda_1} \sum_{k=0}^{\lambda_1} \frac{(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2)_k (-\lambda_1)_k (-1)^k}{(1 - \lambda_1)_k k!} \left(\frac{\beta}{r - \beta}\right)^k.$$

**Corollary 2** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) and if  $\lambda_2 \geq 1$  is an integer then the pdf of  $R$  is given by (4) with*

$$K_1(r) = \left(\frac{r}{\beta} - 1\right)^{\lambda_2} \sum_{k=0}^{\lambda_2} \frac{(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2)_k (-\lambda_2)_k (-1)^k}{(1 - \lambda_2)_k k!} \left(\frac{\beta}{r - \beta}\right)^k - \sum_{k=0}^{\lambda_2} \frac{(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2)_k (-\lambda_2)_k (-1)^k}{(1 - \lambda_2)_k k!}.$$

**Corollary 3** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) and if  $\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \geq 1$  is an integer then the pdf of  $R$  is given by (4) with*

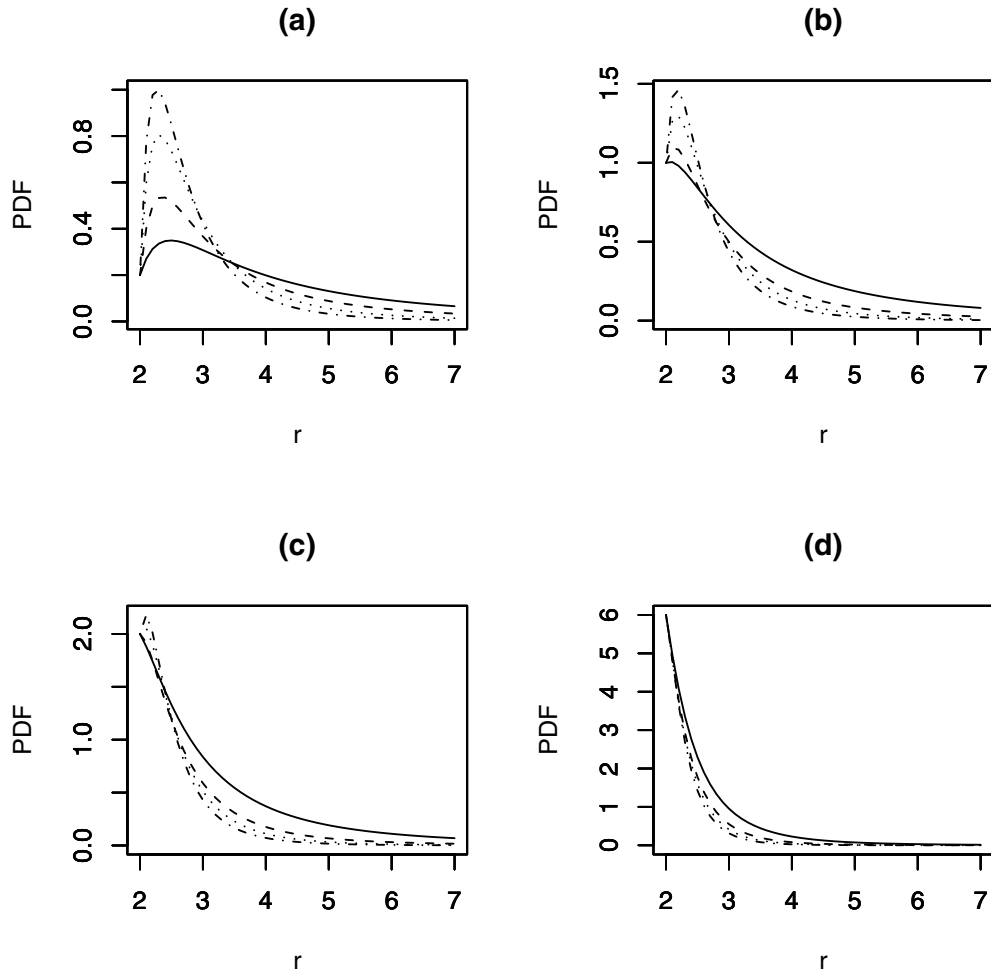
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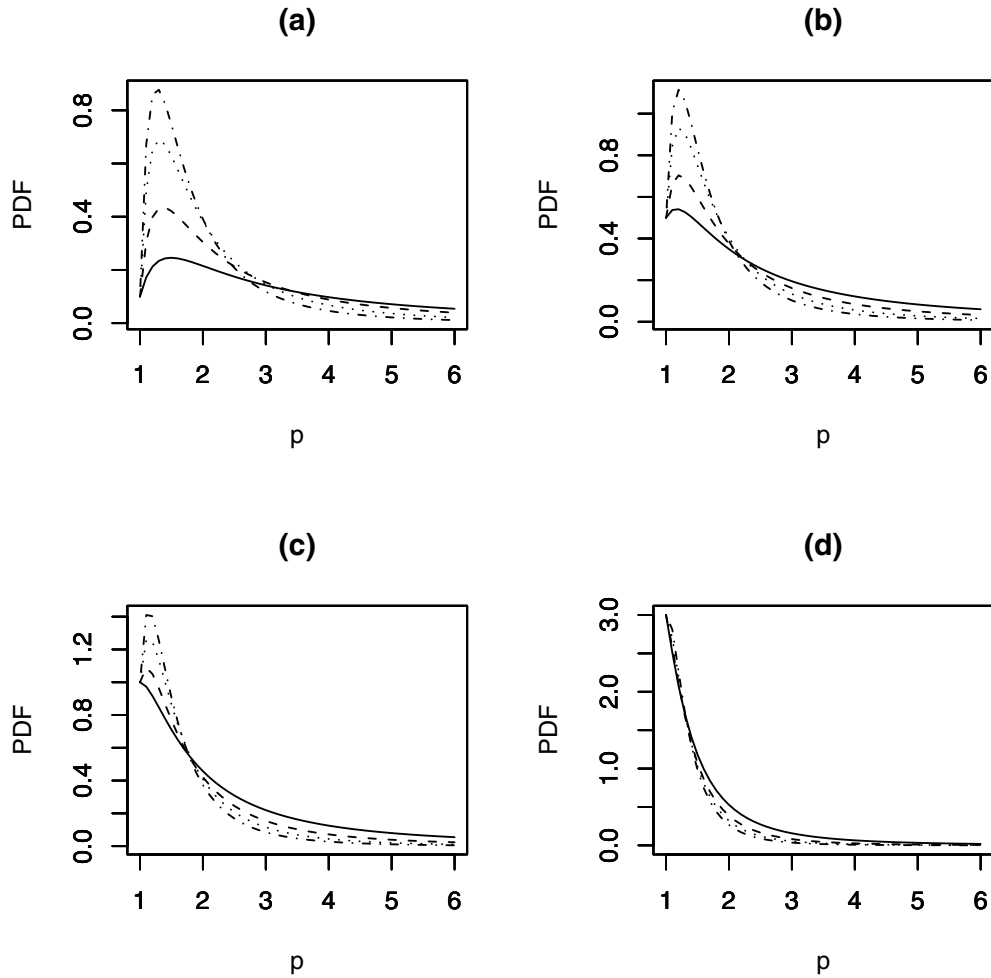
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Figures 1 to 3 illustrate the shape of the pdfs (4), (11) and (12) for selected values of  $\lambda_0$ ,  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ . Each plot contains four curves corresponding to selected values of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ . The effect of the parameters is evident.

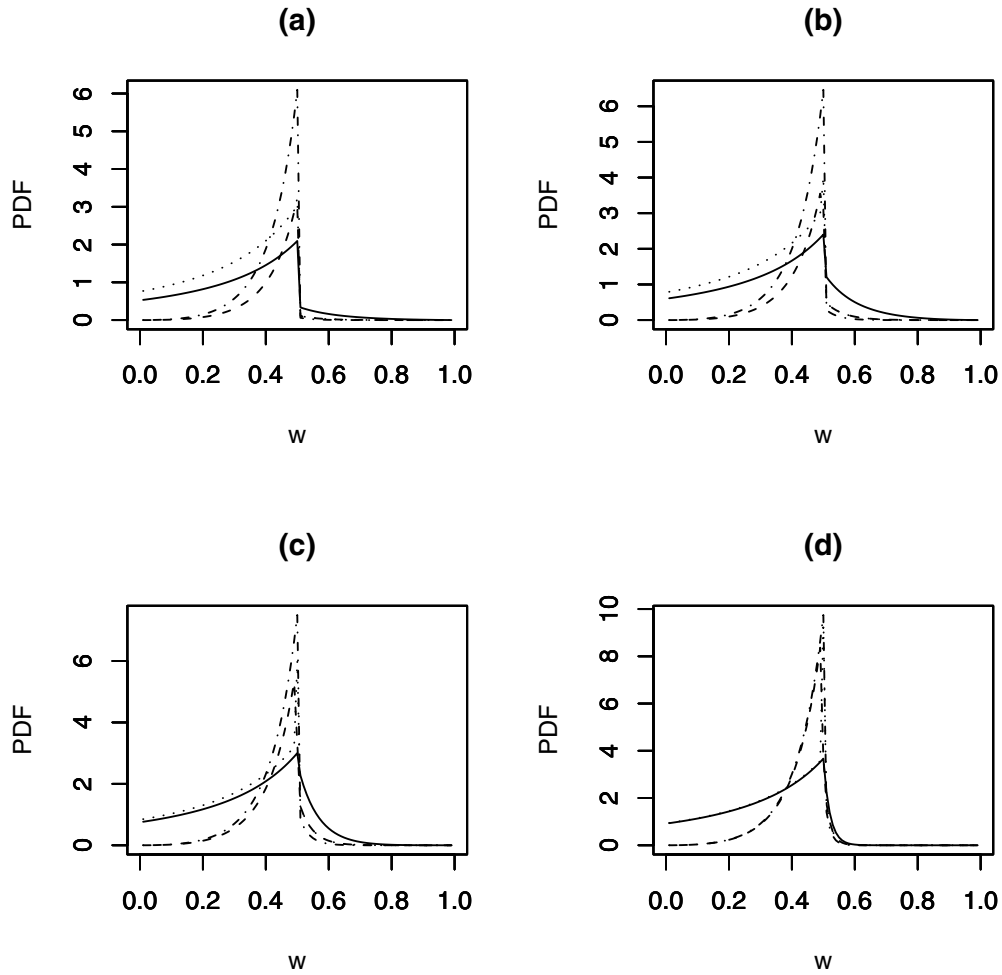




**Figure 1:** Plots of the pdf of (4) for  $\beta = 1$  and (a):  $\lambda_0 = 0.1$ ; (b):  $\lambda_0 = 0.5$ ; (c):  $\lambda_0 = 1$ ; and, (d):  $\lambda_0 = 3$ . The four curves in each plot are: the solid curve ( $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 1$ ), the curve of lines ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 1$ ), the curve of dots ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 2$ ), and the curve of lines and dots ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 3$ ).



**Figure 2:** Plots of the pdf of (11) for  $\beta = 1$  and (a):  $\lambda_0 = 0.1$ ; (b):  $\lambda_0 = 0.5$ ; (c):  $\lambda_0 = 1$ ; and, (d):  $\lambda_0 = 3$ . The four curves in each plot are: the solid curve ( $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 1$ ), the curve of lines ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 1$ ), the curve of dots ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 2$ ), and the curve of lines and dots ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 3$ ).



**Figure 3:** Plots of the pdf of (12) for  $\beta = 1$  and (a):  $\lambda_0 = 0.1$ ; (b):  $\lambda_0 = 0.5$ ; (c):  $\lambda_0 = 2$ ; and, (d):  $\lambda_0 = 10$ . The four curves in each plot are: the solid curve ( $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 1$ ), the curve of lines ( $\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 3$ ), the curve of dots ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 1$ ), and the curve of lines and dots ( $\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 3$ ).

### 3 Moments

Here, we derive the moments of  $R = X + Y$ ,  $P = XY$  and  $W = X/(X + Y)$  when  $X$  and  $Y$  are distributed according to (1)–(3). We need the following lemma.

**Lemma 2** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) then*

$$\begin{aligned} E(X^m Y^n) &= \frac{\beta^{m+n} \lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(m - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1) (m + n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{\beta^{m+n} \lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_2) (m + n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{\beta^{m+n} \lambda_0}{m + n + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \end{aligned}$$

for  $m \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* One can write

$$\begin{aligned} E(X^m Y^n) &= \frac{\lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \int_{\beta}^{\infty} \int_y^{\infty} x^{m-1-\lambda_0-\lambda_1} y^{n-1-\lambda_2} dx dy \\ &\quad + \lambda_0 \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \int_{\beta}^{\infty} x^{m+n-1-\lambda_0-\lambda_1-\lambda_2} dx \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \beta^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \int_{\beta}^{\infty} \int_x^{\infty} y^{-(1+\lambda_0+\lambda_2)} x^{-(1+\lambda_1)} dy dx. \end{aligned}$$

The result of the theorem follows by elementary integration of the above integrals. ■

The moments of  $R = X + Y$  and  $P = XY$  are now simple consequences of this lemma as illustrated in Theorems 4 and 5. The moments of  $W = X/(X + Y)$  require a separate treatment as shown by Theorem 6.

**Theorem 4** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) then*

$$\begin{aligned} E(R^n) &= \frac{2^n \beta^n \lambda_0}{n + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} + \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left[ \frac{\beta^n \lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(n - k - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1) (n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\beta^n \lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(k - \lambda_0 - \lambda_2) (n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

for  $n \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* the result follows by writing

$$E((X + Y)^n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} E(X^{n-k} Y^k)$$

and applying Lemma 2 to each expectation in the sum. ■

**Theorem 5** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) then*

$$\begin{aligned} E(P^n) &= \frac{\beta^{2n} \lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1) (2n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{\beta^{2n} \lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_2) (2n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)} \\ &\quad + \frac{\beta^{2n} \lambda_0}{2n + \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \end{aligned}$$

for  $n \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* follows by writing  $E(P^n) = E(X^n Y^n)$  and applying Lemma 2 with  $m = n$ . ■

**Theorem 6** *If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) then*

$$\begin{aligned} E(W^n) &= \frac{2^{1-n} \lambda_0}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} + \frac{\lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2} B_{1/2}(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1, n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1) \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2} B_{1/2}(n + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2, -\lambda_0 - \lambda_2) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

for  $n \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* Using (12), one can write

$$\begin{aligned} E(W^n) &= \frac{\lambda_2 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2} \int_{1/2}^1 \frac{w^n (1-w)^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 - 1}}{w^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + 1}} dw + \frac{2^{1-n} \lambda_0}{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda_1 (\lambda_0 + \lambda_2) (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2} \int_0^{1/2} \frac{w^{n + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2 - 1}}{(1-w)^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_2 + 1}} dw. \end{aligned}$$

The result of the theorem follows by the definition of the incomplete beta function. ■

Using special properties of the incomplete beta function, one can derive elementary forms of (14). This is shown in the corollaries below.

**Corollary 4** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) and if  $\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 \geq 1$  is an integer then  $E(W^n)$  is given by (14) with

$$B_{1/2}(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1, n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1) = 1 - 2^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 - n} \sum_{k=1}^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_1} \frac{\Gamma(n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1 + k - 1)}{\Gamma(n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1)\Gamma(k)} 2^{1-k}.$$

**Corollary 5** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly distributed according to (1)–(3) and if  $\lambda_0 + \lambda_2 \geq 1$  is an integer then  $E(W^n)$  is given by (14) with

$$B_{1/2}(n + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2, -\lambda_0 - \lambda_2) = 1 - 2^{\lambda_0 + \lambda_2} \sum_{k=1}^{n + \lambda_0 + \lambda_2} \frac{\Gamma(n - \lambda_0 - \lambda_2 - 1)}{\Gamma(-\lambda_0 - \lambda_2)\Gamma(k)} 2^{1-k}.$$

Percentage points for  $R = X + Y$

| $\lambda_0$ | $\lambda_1$ | $\lambda_2$ | $\alpha$ |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|             |             |             | 0.9      | 0.95     | 0.975    | 0.99     | 0.995    | 0.999    | 0.9995   |
| 1           | 1           | 1           | 9.62379  | 16.49151 | 29.78508 | 70.40482 | 137.2642 | 662.6351 | 1259.997 |
| 1           | 1           | 2           | 6.38258  | 9.402676 | 14.83461 | 30.03895 | 55.16546 | 260.3903 | 511.3611 |
| 1           | 1           | 3           | 5.419237 | 7.756518 | 12.03189 | 24.47247 | 45.52252 | 212.9589 | 429.7302 |
| 1           | 1           | 4           | 5.028103 | 7.113937 | 10.81814 | 21.20653 | 38.43352 | 183.8694 | 342.4035 |
| 1           | 2           | 1           | 6.390126 | 9.439726 | 14.88197 | 30.05685 | 54.93929 | 265.512  | 551.438  |
| 1           | 2           | 2           | 4.709026 | 5.991161 | 7.717563 | 11.07508 | 14.77118 | 30.48835 | 43.03218 |
| 1           | 2           | 3           | 4.108536 | 5.012974 | 6.194804 | 8.438637 | 10.91330 | 21.23383 | 29.51412 |
| 1           | 2           | 4           | 3.806872 | 4.581755 | 5.616983 | 7.630785 | 9.834232 | 19.15476 | 25.87484 |
| 1           | 3           | 1           | 5.435317 | 7.754701 | 11.96454 | 23.94088 | 44.06230 | 218.9689 | 440.4970 |
| 1           | 3           | 2           | 4.104989 | 5.016544 | 6.21157  | 8.413445 | 10.88446 | 21.34119 | 29.27734 |
| 1           | 3           | 3           | 3.617398 | 4.213916 | 4.936576 | 6.121482 | 7.261394 | 11.20831 | 13.68865 |
| 1           | 3           | 4           | 3.369725 | 3.85984  | 4.433214 | 5.385524 | 6.294604 | 9.31356  | 11.19996 |
| 1           | 4           | 1           | 5.011635 | 7.096623 | 10.78617 | 21.23060 | 38.18032 | 175.2684 | 338.8366 |
| 1           | 4           | 2           | 3.80762  | 4.58071  | 5.625067 | 7.593149 | 9.829113 | 18.83798 | 25.31333 |
| 1           | 4           | 3           | 3.372456 | 3.862036 | 4.436062 | 5.373236 | 6.295974 | 9.400779 | 11.25767 |
| 1           | 4           | 4           | 3.149176 | 3.525237 | 3.951599 | 4.617037 | 5.197676 | 7.02943  | 7.937064 |
| 2           | 1           | 1           | 6.908587 | 11.80303 | 21.87108 | 52.17421 | 103.0996 | 499.1869 | 997.795  |
| 2           | 1           | 2           | 5.026371 | 7.20023  | 11.28552 | 23.11933 | 42.80327 | 195.6307 | 377.0428 |
| 2           | 1           | 3           | 4.290314 | 5.792941 | 8.742232 | 18.13929 | 34.57562 | 164.6154 | 310.1243 |
| 2           | 1           | 4           | 3.932082 | 5.174204 | 7.661537 | 16.03917 | 29.84287 | 150.3417 | 292.0324 |
| 2           | 2           | 1           | 5.022213 | 7.195747 | 11.29309 | 23.38030 | 43.37083 | 202.7843 | 408.1873 |
| 2           | 2           | 2           | 4.13171  | 5.197745 | 6.670142 | 9.64867  | 12.99950 | 27.08907 | 37.89176 |
| 2           | 2           | 3           | 3.688318 | 4.443407 | 5.44835  | 7.400021 | 9.607725 | 18.71532 | 25.11885 |
| 2           | 2           | 4           | 3.446081 | 4.072247 | 4.913453 | 6.573777 | 8.551287 | 17.07842 | 23.09799 |
| 2           | 3           | 1           | 4.29382  | 5.793729 | 8.750932 | 18.24647 | 35.13249 | 172.9237 | 343.8436 |
| 2           | 3           | 2           | 3.695045 | 4.449435 | 5.443715 | 7.428022 | 9.612759 | 19.03360 | 25.71027 |
| 2           | 3           | 3           | 3.365524 | 3.891746 | 4.532711 | 5.631077 | 6.69489  | 10.43221 | 12.59107 |
| 2           | 3           | 4           | 3.170085 | 3.599843 | 4.105821 | 4.970653 | 5.800506 | 8.645942 | 10.33633 |
| 2           | 4           | 1           | 3.938950 | 5.184407 | 7.665587 | 15.86660 | 30.17476 | 143.1466 | 284.7486 |

|   |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
|---|---|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 2 | 4 | 2 | 3.444092 | 4.074746 | 4.925434 | 6.631013 | 8.602288 | 17.32115 | 23.43268 |
| 2 | 4 | 3 | 3.174564 | 3.601501 | 4.110391 | 4.961649 | 5.79828  | 8.581511 | 10.37010 |
| 2 | 4 | 4 | 3.003146 | 3.33961  | 3.724340 | 4.33036  | 4.89138  | 6.589682 | 7.558714 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 5.556553 | 9.369284 | 17.22973 | 41.75966 | 82.96045 | 402.7553 | 777.0871 |
| 3 | 1 | 2 | 4.356332 | 6.135416 | 9.57303  | 19.70144 | 36.90099 | 170.3009 | 324.3305 |
| 3 | 1 | 3 | 3.798096 | 5.011188 | 7.527998 | 15.77983 | 29.90835 | 145.9120 | 283.4977 |
| 3 | 1 | 4 | 3.499727 | 4.460710 | 6.534267 | 13.78972 | 26.22162 | 132.2372 | 284.8490 |
| 3 | 2 | 1 | 4.346251 | 6.141804 | 9.52928  | 19.51615 | 35.56617 | 174.0592 | 359.7555 |
| 3 | 2 | 2 | 3.795461 | 4.756487 | 6.126913 | 8.92387  | 12.12327 | 25.40350 | 35.55154 |
| 3 | 2 | 3 | 3.446532 | 4.123285 | 5.055806 | 6.904248 | 9.032536 | 17.89067 | 24.55036 |
| 3 | 2 | 4 | 3.234209 | 3.78897  | 4.564601 | 6.174418 | 8.080741 | 16.08926 | 22.26428 |
| 3 | 3 | 1 | 3.797431 | 5.014095 | 7.522061 | 15.69015 | 29.62894 | 147.5539 | 316.1749 |
| 3 | 3 | 2 | 3.445716 | 4.130013 | 5.054499 | 6.874383 | 9.011033 | 17.91510 | 24.94480 |
| 3 | 3 | 3 | 3.199305 | 3.686841 | 4.28561  | 5.317371 | 6.38796  | 10.10062 | 12.19057 |
| 3 | 3 | 4 | 3.035728 | 3.430755 | 3.906324 | 4.714228 | 5.508655 | 8.228773 | 9.973009 |
| 3 | 4 | 1 | 3.491053 | 4.432245 | 6.497168 | 13.59319 | 25.43914 | 123.7052 | 239.6344 |
| 3 | 4 | 2 | 3.234879 | 3.797424 | 4.571231 | 6.147995 | 8.042847 | 16.38848 | 22.63103 |
| 3 | 4 | 3 | 3.036627 | 3.430917 | 3.905991 | 4.727645 | 5.506118 | 8.309395 | 9.892161 |
| 3 | 4 | 4 | 2.905312 | 3.219497 | 3.58608  | 4.175939 | 4.700929 | 6.402495 | 7.481372 |
| 4 | 1 | 1 | 4.751449 | 8.002954 | 14.64670 | 34.75727 | 67.59802 | 329.042  | 666.0516 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 3.928277 | 5.493376 | 8.457637 | 17.04472 | 31.56688 | 148.9422 | 289.8442 |
| 4 | 1 | 3 | 3.496069 | 4.542001 | 6.688109 | 13.90893 | 26.0087  | 119.8621 | 241.3712 |
| 4 | 1 | 4 | 3.244412 | 4.050198 | 5.87665  | 12.53929 | 24.00743 | 113.0687 | 238.5718 |
| 4 | 2 | 1 | 3.941387 | 5.541231 | 8.624192 | 17.4132  | 32.66607 | 151.8941 | 300.2353 |
| 4 | 2 | 2 | 3.552877 | 4.440468 | 5.732454 | 8.303123 | 11.28017 | 24.11745 | 34.02633 |
| 4 | 2 | 3 | 3.273833 | 3.909206 | 4.794988 | 6.536048 | 8.465026 | 16.80705 | 23.01364 |
| 4 | 2 | 4 | 3.089486 | 3.605092 | 4.332355 | 5.847722 | 7.649926 | 15.64277 | 21.51948 |
| 4 | 3 | 1 | 3.490893 | 4.541283 | 6.738373 | 14.01726 | 26.40212 | 125.2505 | 243.3163 |
| 4 | 3 | 2 | 3.269694 | 3.89497  | 4.77076  | 6.543371 | 8.531305 | 17.14365 | 23.55384 |
| 4 | 3 | 3 | 3.077487 | 3.536144 | 4.113783 | 5.12258  | 6.14586  | 9.683466 | 11.84106 |
| 4 | 3 | 4 | 2.937028 | 3.308072 | 3.77329  | 4.567861 | 5.368209 | 8.138209 | 9.9069   |
| 4 | 4 | 1 | 3.246128 | 4.043495 | 5.834828 | 12.46214 | 23.63761 | 113.7882 | 219.6971 |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | 3.08685  | 3.599695 | 4.323378 | 5.837564 | 7.619    | 15.45620 | 21.34394 |
| 4 | 4 | 3 | 2.935896 | 3.307082 | 3.767617 | 4.569923 | 5.372604 | 8.09562  | 9.654783 |
| 4 | 4 | 4 | 2.826395 | 3.128217 | 3.478607 | 4.048215 | 4.57136  | 6.206746 | 7.152812 |

#### 4 Percentiles

In this section, we provide extensive tabulations of the percentiles of the distribution of  $R$  (percentiles for  $P$  and  $W$  are not given since their pdfs are elementary). These percentiles are computed numerically by solving the equation

$$\int_0^{r_\alpha} f_R(r)dr = \alpha,$$

where  $f_R(r)$  is given by (4). Evidently, this involves computation of the hypergeometric functions and routines for this are widely available. We used the function `hypergeom` ( $\cdot$ ) in the algebraic manipulation package, MAPLE. The percentiles are given for  $\alpha = 0.90, 0.95, 0.975, 0.99, 0.995, 0.999, 0.9995$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ,  $\lambda_0 = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ,  $\lambda_1 = 1, 2, 3, 4$  and  $\lambda_2 = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

Similar tabulations could be easily derived for other values of  $\lambda_0$ ,  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ . We hope these numbers will be of use to the practitioners of the bivariate Pareto distribution (see Section 1).

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