

# On the Omega Distribution: Some Properties and Estimation

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**Abstract:** Explicit expressions for single moments, recurrence relations for single and product moments of order statistics of the omega distribution are derived. The L-moments are also obtained. We also consider different methods for estimating the model parameters, namely: maximum likelihood, maximum product of spacings, ordinary least-squares and weighted least-squares, percentiles, Anderson–Darling and right–tail Anderson–Darling. For different parameter settings and sample sizes, various simulation results are performed to compare the performance of the proposed estimators. Further, the method of maximum likelihood is adopted to estimate the omega parameters under type-II censoring scheme. The flexibility of the omega distribution is proved by means of a real data set.

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## 1. Introduction

In the past few years, developing new statistical distributions are much in trend and several authors have proposed and discussed various extended forms of classical distributions with their applications in many fields. Moreover, it was found that the extended forms of well-known distributions provide greater flexibility in modeling data in different areas such as lifetime analysis, engineering, economics, finance, demography, actuarial and medical sciences.

Dombi *et al.* (2019) pioneered the omega distribution with three positive parameters and showed that its asymptotic distribution is just the Weibull distribution. They also obtained some mathematical properties of this distribution and proved that it allows us to model bathtub-shaped hazard function (*hf*) in two ways. First, the curve of the omega *hf* with special parameters can be utilized to describe a complete bathtub-shaped hazard curve. Second, the omega distribution can be applied in the same way as the Weibull distribution to model each phase of a bathtub-shaped *hf*. From the practical perspective, there are two notable properties of this distribution, namely, simplicity and flexibility. The simplicity follows because its cumulative distribution function (*cdf*) and *hf* include only power functions and lack exponential terms. The flexibility follows from the fact that the omega function has

bounded support  $(0, d)$ , which means that its  $hf$  can be more appropriately to follow changes of  $d > 0$ , while the exponential function tends to infinity over an unbounded support.

Furthermore, Dombi *et al.* (2019) proposed two approaches for practical statistical estimation of the omega parameters: the first one depends on the log-likelihood function, the so-called GLOBAL method to maximize it, and the second depends on fitting its  $cdf$  to an empirical  $cdf$ . They also illustrated how the omega distribution can be adopted to model the distribution of the time-to-first-failure random variable if its  $hf$  is bathtub shaped. The authors also introduced two novel models with bathtub-shaped  $hf$  and demonstrated how the omega distribution can be applied in reliability theory using a practical example.

The probability density function ( $pdf$ ) and  $cdf$  of the omega distribution with three parameters  $(\alpha, \beta, d)$ , say  $\text{Omg}(\alpha, \beta, d)$ , are

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ \frac{\alpha \beta d^{2\beta} x^{\beta-1}}{d^{2\beta} - x^{2\beta}} \left( \frac{d^\beta + x^\beta}{d^\beta - x^\beta} \right)^{-\frac{\alpha d^\beta}{2}}, & \text{if } 0 < x < d, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \geq d \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

and

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ 1 - \left( \frac{d^\beta + x^\beta}{d^\beta - x^\beta} \right)^{-\frac{\alpha d^\beta}{2}}, & \text{if } 0 < x < d, \\ 1, & \text{if } x \geq d, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

respectively, where  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  and  $d > 0$ . The parameter  $\alpha$  is the scale parameter and the maximum value of the density function increases with it. The parameter  $\beta$  affects the shape of the density function, and it is strictly monotonously decreasing when  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ , and unimodal when  $\beta > 1$ . Clearly, the parameter  $d$  specifies the support.

Henceforth, we denote by  $X$  a random variable with density (1). Notice that

$$(d^{2\beta} - x^{2\beta})f(x) = \alpha \beta d^{2\beta} x^{\beta-1} [1 - F(x)]. \quad (3)$$

Okorie and Nadarajah (2019) derived closed-form expressions for the raw moments and quantile function of the omega distribution. The applications of moments of order statistics are quite well-known in statistical literature. For example, they are useful in statistical modelling, statistical inferences, decision procedures, nonparametric statistics, among others. Recurrence relations for single and product moments of order statistics for specific distributions have been established by several authors such as Malik *et al.* (1988), Balakrishnan *et al.* (1988), and Balakrishnan and Sultan (1998). Explicit expressions for moments of order statistics of some distributions were determined by Nadarajah (2008). For more results in this context, one may also refer to Nagaraja (2013), Çetinkaya and Genç (2018), Akhter *et al.* (2019), Akhter *et al.* (2020) and references therein.

In recent years, the importance of order statistics has increased because of the more frequent use of nonparametric inferences and robust procedures. The aim in this paper is to complete the works of Dombi *et al.* (2019) and Okorie and Nadarajah (2019) by deriving explicit expressions for single moments, recurrence relations for single and product moments of the order statistics of the omega distribution. The L-moments are also obtained.

These results can be used to derive the best linear unbiased estimators (BLUEs) and best linear invariant estimators (BLIEs) of the scale and location-scale parameters of the omega distribution as well as the best linear unbiased predictors (BLUPs) and best linear invariant predictors (BLIPs) of future

unobserved order statistic; see, for example, Balakrishnan and Cohen (1991). Though many properties of the omega distribution have been discussed in the literature, the estimation of the parameters and prediction of future observations based on some types of ordered data and similar topics for this distribution have not been discussed yet, and we hope that the results of this paper will be useful in a large variety of problems related to order statistics and inferential investigations in the future.

The characterizations of probability distributions based on the moments of order statistics have also been of great interest to the researcher for the past several decades. So, it is important to mention that the findings of this paper can also be useful in the characterization of the omega distribution; see, for example, Lin (1989) and Kamps (1998). This will encourage researchers to do further works in the field of order statistics, especially for the omega distribution.

We also consider different methods for estimating the omega parameters, namely: maximum likelihood, maximum product of spacings, ordinary least-square and weighted least-square, percentiles, Anderson–Darling and right-tail Anderson–Darling. These methods are important to develop guidelines for choosing the best estimation method for the parameters, which would be of great interest to applied statisticians and practitioners. We also provide numerical simulations to examine the mean square errors of the proposed estimators. Furthermore, the method of maximum likelihood is adopted for estimating the distribution parameters under type-II censored samples.

Furthermore, the flexibility of the omega distribution is illustrated using a real-life data set. This distribution provides a better fit than ten extensions of the Weibull distribution (with three and four parameters), namely the modified Weibull due to Sarhan and Zaindin (2009), transmuted complementary Weibull-geometric by Afify *et al.* (2014), Lindley Weibull by Cordeiro *et al.* (2018), power generalized Weibull by Bagdonovicius and Nikulin (2002), alpha power Weibull by Nassar *et al.* (2017), alpha power exponentiated-Weibull by Mead *et al.* (2019), exponentiated-Weibull due to Mudholkar and Srivastava (1993), extended odd Weibull exponential by Afify and Mohamed (2020), logarithmic transformed Weibull by Nassar *et al.* (2020), and Weibull distributions.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we derive explicit expressions and some recurrence relations for the single and product moments of order statistics from the omega distribution. Some of its statistical properties are obtained in Section 3. Five estimation methods for the omega parameters are discussed in Section 4. A simulation study is performed in Section 5, and some conclusions are offered in Section 6.

## 2. Single and product moments of order statistics

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample of size  $n$  from the omega distribution with the *pdf*  $f(x)$  and *cdf*  $F(x)$ , given in (1) and (2), respectively, and let  $X_{1:n} \leq \dots \leq X_{n:n}$  be the corresponding order statistics. Then, the *pdf* of the  $r$ th order statistic  $X_{r:n}$ , say  $f_{r:n}(x)$ , is (David and Nagaraja, 2003; Arnold *et al.*, 2008) (for  $1 \leq r \leq n$ )

$$f_{r:n}(x) = C_{r:n} F(x)^{r-1} [1 - F(x)]^{n-r} f(x), \quad 0 < x < d, \quad (4)$$

and the joint *pdf* of the  $r$ th ( $X_{r:n}$ ) and  $s$ th ( $X_{s:n}$ ) order statistics, say  $f_{r,s:n}(x, y)$ , can be expressed as (for  $1 \leq r < s \leq n$ )

$$f_{r,s:n}(x, y) = C_{r,s:n} F(x)^{r-1} [F(y) - F(x)]^{s-r-1} [1 - F(y)]^{n-s} f(x) f(y), \quad 0 < x < y < d, \quad (5)$$

where

$$C_{r:n} = \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(n-r)!} \quad \text{and} \quad C_{r,s:n} = \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(s-r-1)!(n-s)!}.$$

Next, the  $k$ th single moment of  $X_{r:n}$  takes the form

$$\mu_{r:n}^{(k)} = E(X_{r:n}^k) = \int_0^d x^k f_{r:n}(x) dx; \quad 1 \leq r \leq n; \quad k \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (6)$$

and the  $(k, l)$ th product moment of  $X_{r:n}$  and  $X_{s:n}$  reduces to

$$\mu_{r,s:n}^{(k,l)} = E(X_{r:n}^k X_{s:n}^l) = \int_0^d \int_x^d x^k y^l f_{r,s:n}(x, y) dy dx, \quad 1 \leq r < s \leq n, \quad k, l \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (7)$$

Further, we use the integral formula of Gradshteyn and Ryzhik (2007)

$$\int_0^1 x^{\lambda-1} (1-x)^{\mu-1} (1-\eta x)^{-\nu} dx = B(\lambda, \mu) {}_2F_1(\nu, \lambda; \lambda + \mu; \eta), \quad \lambda > 0, \mu > 0, \quad (8)$$

to prove some results of this paper, where

$$B(a, b) = \int_0^1 t^{a-1} (1-t)^{b-1} dt \quad \text{and} \quad {}_2F_1(a, b; c; x) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_p (b)_p}{(c)_p} \frac{x^p}{p!}$$

are the beta and Gauss hypergeometric functions, respectively, and  $(e)_p = e(e+1) \cdots (e+p+1)$  is the ascending factorial.

## 2.1. Single moments

We obtain the single moments of the order statistics from the omega distribution. The results are presented in the following theorems.

**Theorem 2.1:** For the omega distribution (1) ( $1 \leq r \leq n-1, k \in \mathbb{N}$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{r:n}^{(k)} &= \alpha d^{k+\beta} \sum_{i=r}^n \sum_{p=0}^{i-1} (-1)^{p+i-r} \binom{i-1}{r-1} \binom{n}{i} \binom{i-1}{p} i B\left(\frac{k}{\beta} + 1, \frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2} + 1\right) \\ &\quad \times {}_2F_1\left(\frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2} + 1, \frac{k}{\beta} + 1; \frac{k}{\beta} + \frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2} + 1; -1\right). \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

**Proof:** In view of (6) and the result given by David and Nagaraja (2003, page 45), we can write

$$\mu_{r:n}^{(k)} = \sum_{i=r}^n (-1)^{i-r} \binom{i-1}{r-1} \binom{n}{i} \mu_{i:i}^{(k)}, \quad 1 \leq r \leq n-1, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (10)$$

where

$$\mu_{i:i}^{(k)} = \int_0^d x^k [F(x)]^{i-1} f(x) dx \quad (11)$$

or, equivalently, from Equation (3),

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{i:i}^{(k)} &= i \alpha \beta d^{2\beta} \sum_{p=0}^{i-1} (-1)^p \binom{i-1}{p} \int_0^d \frac{x^{k+\beta-1}}{(d^{2\beta} - x^{2\beta})} [1 - F(x)]^{p+1} dx \\ &= i \alpha \beta d^{2\beta} \sum_{p=0}^{i-1} (-1)^p \binom{i-1}{p} \int_0^d \frac{x^{k+\beta-1}}{(d^\beta + x^\beta)(d^\beta - x^\beta)} \left( \frac{d^\beta + x^\beta}{d^\beta - x^\beta} \right)^{-\frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2}} dx. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Setting  $z = x^\beta / d^\beta$ , Equation (12) can be rewritten as

$$\mu_{i:i}^{(k)} = i \alpha d^{k+\beta} \sum_{p=0}^{i-1} (-1)^p \binom{i-1}{p} \int_0^1 z^{\frac{k}{\beta}} (1-z)^{\frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2}-1} (1+z)^{-\frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2}-1} dz.$$

Using the integral formula (8), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{i:i}^{(k)} &= i\alpha d^{k+\beta} \sum_{p=0}^{i-1} (-1)^p \binom{i-1}{p} B\left(\frac{k}{\beta} + 1, \frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2} + 1\right) \\ &\quad \times {}_2F_1\left(\frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2} + 1, \frac{k}{\beta} + 1; \frac{k}{\beta} + \frac{\alpha(p+1)d^\beta}{2} + 1; -1\right).\end{aligned}$$

99 Inserting  $\mu_{i:i}^{(k)}$  in Equation (10), it follows (9).

100 An alternative equation for  $\mu_{r:n}^{(k)}$  is addressed in the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.2:** For  $1 \leq r \leq n$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{r:n}^{(k)} &= C_{r:n} \alpha d^{\beta+k} \sum_{p=0}^{r-1} (-1)^p \binom{r-1}{p} B\left(\frac{k}{\beta} + 1, \frac{\alpha}{2}(p+n-r+1)d^\beta + 1\right) \\ &\quad \times {}_2F_1\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}(p+n-r+1)d^\beta + 1, \frac{k}{\beta} + 1; \frac{k}{\beta} + \frac{\alpha}{2}(p+n-r+1)d^\beta + 1; -1\right),\end{aligned}\quad (13)$$

101 where  $C_{r:n}$  is defined as before.

**Proof:** From Equation (6), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{r:n}^{(k)} &= C_{r:n} \int_0^d x^k [F(x)]^{r-1} [1-F(x)]^{n-r} f(x) dx. \\ &= C_{r:n} \sum_{p=0}^{r-1} (-1)^p \binom{r-1}{p} \int_0^d x^k [1-F(x)]^{n-r+p} f(x) dx.\end{aligned}\quad (14)$$

102 Applying similar steps of Theorem 2.1 leads to (13).

103 **Remark 2.1:** (a) By setting  $n = r = 1$  in (9) or (13), we obtain

$$\mu_{1:1}^{(k)} = E(X^k) = \alpha d^{\beta+k} B\left(\frac{k}{\beta} + 1, \frac{\alpha d^\beta}{2} + 1\right) {}_2F_1\left(\frac{\alpha d^\beta}{2} + 1, \frac{k}{\beta} + 1; \frac{k}{\beta} + \frac{\alpha d^\beta}{2} + 1; -1\right),\quad (15)$$

104 which is the  $k$ th moment of  $X$  reported by Okorie and Nadarajah (2019).

105 By setting  $k = 1, 2, 3$  and  $k = 4$  in Equation (15), one can obtain closed form expressions for the  
106 first four moments, variance, skewness, and kurtosis of  $X$  (Okorie and Nadarajah, 2019).

107 (b) Setting  $r = 1$  in (13),

$$\mu_{1:n}^{(k)} = n \alpha d^{\beta+k} B\left(\frac{k}{\beta} + 1, \frac{n \alpha d^\beta}{2} + 1\right) {}_2F_1\left(\frac{n \alpha d^\beta}{2} + 1, \frac{k}{\beta} + 1; \frac{k}{\beta} + \frac{n \alpha d^\beta}{2} + 1; -1\right),\quad (16)$$

108 and, setting  $r = n$  in (13),

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{n:n}^{(k)} &= n \alpha d^{\beta+k} \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} (-1)^p \binom{n-1}{p} B\left(\frac{k}{\beta} + 1, \frac{\alpha}{2}(p+1)d^\beta + 1\right) \\ &\quad \times {}_2F_1\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}(p+1)d^\beta + 1, \frac{k}{\beta} + 1; \frac{k}{\beta} + \frac{\alpha}{2}(p+1)d^\beta + 1; -1\right),\end{aligned}\quad (17)$$

which are the  $k$ th moments of the minimum and maximum order statistics, respectively.

Recurrence relations for single moments of order statistics from the  $cdf$  (2) follow in the next theorem.

**Theorem 2.3:** For  $1 \leq r \leq n$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\mu_{r:n}^{(k)} - \mu_{r-1:n-1}^{(k)} = \frac{k}{n \alpha \beta} \left[ \mu_{r:n}^{(k-\beta)} - \frac{\mu_{r:n}^{(k+\beta)}}{d^{2\beta}} \right] \quad (18)$$

and, consequently,

$$\mu_{r:n}^{(k)} - \mu_{r-1:n}^{(k)} = \frac{k}{(n-r+1) \alpha \beta} \left[ \mu_{r:n}^{(k-\beta)} - \frac{\mu_{r:n}^{(k+\beta)}}{d^{2\beta}} \right]. \quad (19)$$

**Proof:** Khan *et al.* (1983a) proved that (for  $1 \leq r \leq n$ )

$$\mu_{r:n}^{(k)} - \mu_{r-1:n-1}^{(k)} = \binom{n-1}{r-1} k \int_0^\infty x^{k-1} [F(x)]^{r-1} [1-F(x)]^{n-r+1} dx. \quad (20)$$

or, equivalently, from (3),

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{r:n}^{(k)} - \mu_{r-1:n-1}^{(k)} &= \binom{n-1}{r-1} \frac{k}{\alpha \beta} \int_0^d x^{k-\beta} [F(x)]^{r-1} [1-F(x)]^{n-r} f(x) dx \\ &\quad - \binom{n-1}{r-1} \frac{k}{\alpha \beta d^{2\beta}} \int_0^d x^{k+\beta} [F(x)]^{r-1} [1-F(x)]^{n-r} f(x) dx, \end{aligned}$$

which after simplification yields (18).

Using the well-known recurrence relation for moments (David and Nagaraja, 2003, p. 44)

$$n \mu_{r-1:n-1}^{(k)} = (n-r+1) \mu_{r-1:n}^{(k)} + (r-1) \mu_{r:n}^{(k)},$$

in Equation (18), we obtain (19). This completes the proof.

**Remark 2.2:** We obtain the negative moments in Theorem 2.3 when  $k < \beta$ . For applications, one may refer to Khan *et al.* (1984) and Ali and Khan (1987) and the papers referred therein.

**Corollary 2.1:** For  $n \geq 1$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\mu_{1:n}^{(k)} = \frac{k}{n \alpha \beta} \left[ \mu_{1:n}^{(k-\beta)} - \frac{\mu_{1:n}^{(k+\beta)}}{d^{2\beta}} \right] \quad (21)$$

and

$$\mu_{n:n}^{(k)} - \mu_{n-1:n}^{(k)} = \frac{k}{\alpha \beta} \left[ \mu_{n:n}^{(k-\beta)} - \frac{\mu_{n:n}^{(k+\beta)}}{d^{2\beta}} \right]. \quad (22)$$

**Proof:** Equations (21) and (22) can be proved by setting  $r = 1$  and  $r = n$ , respectively, in (19) and noting that  $\mu_{0:m}^{(k)} = 0$  for  $m \geq 1$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## 2.2. Product moments

Further, we derive the results for the product moment of order statistics from the omega distribution in the form of the next theorems.

**Theorem 2.4:** For  $1 \leq r < s \leq n$  and  $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can write

$$\mu_{r,s:n}^{(k,l)} - \mu_{r,s-1:n}^{(k,l)} = \frac{l}{(n-s+1)\alpha\beta} \left[ \mu_{r,s:n}^{(k,l-\beta)} - \frac{\mu_{r,s:n}^{(k,l+\beta)}}{d^{2\beta}} \right]. \quad (23)$$

**Proof:** Khan *et al.* (1983b) showed that (for  $1 \leq r < s \leq n$ )

$$\mu_{r,s:n}^{(k,l)} - \mu_{r,s-1:n}^{(k,l)} = C_{r,s:n} \frac{l}{(n-s+1)} \int_0^d x^k [F(x)]^{r-1} I(x) f(x) dx, \quad (24)$$

where

$$I(x) = \int_x^d y^{l-1} [F(y) - F(x)]^{s-r-1} [1 - F(y)]^{n-s+1} dy. \quad (25)$$

Using (3) in Equation (25), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I(x) &= \frac{1}{\alpha\beta} \int_x^d y^{l-\beta} [F(y) - F(x)]^{s-r-1} [1 - F(y)]^{n-s} f(y) dy \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\alpha\beta d^{2\beta}} \int_x^d y^{l+\beta} [F(y) - F(x)]^{s-r-1} [1 - F(y)]^{n-s} f(y) dy. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Substituting (26) in Equation (24), and simplifying, leads to (23).

**Remark 2.3:** The negative moments follow in Theorem (2.4) when  $l < \beta$ .

**Corollary 2.2:** For the omega distribution, we can write ( $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ )

$$\mu_{r,r+1:n}^{(k,l)} - \mu_{r:n}^{(k+l)} = \frac{l}{(n-r)\alpha\beta} \left[ \mu_{r,r+1:n}^{(k,l-\beta)} - \frac{\mu_{r,r+1:n}^{(k,l+\beta)}}{d^{2\beta}} \right], \quad 1 \leq r \leq n-1, n \geq 3, \quad (27)$$

and

$$\mu_{n-1,n:n}^{(k,l)} - \mu_{n-1:n}^{(k+l)} = \frac{l}{\alpha\beta} \left[ \mu_{n-1,n:n}^{(k,l-\beta)} - \frac{\mu_{n-1,n:n}^{(k,l+\beta)}}{d^{2\beta}} \right], \quad n \geq 2. \quad (28)$$

**Proof:** Setting  $s = r + 1$  in Equation (23) and noting that (Khan *et al.*, 1983b)

$$\mu_{r,r:n}^{(k,l)} = E[X_{r:n}^k X_{r:n}^l] = E[X_{r:n}^{k+l}] = \mu_{r:n}^{(k+l)},$$

we obtain the recurrence relation (27).

Similarly, for  $r = n - 1$  and  $s = n$  in Equation (23) and

$$\mu_{n-1,n-1:n}^{(k,l)} = E[X_{n-1:n}^k X_{n-1:n}^l] = E[X_{n-1:n}^{k+l}] = \mu_{n-1:n}^{(k+l)},$$

gives (28).

**Corollary 2.3:** For  $k = 0$  in Theorem 2.4, Theorem 2.3 follows.

**Remark 2.4:** By setting  $k = 1$  in (13), we calculate the means, second moments of the order statistics for the omega distribution (for  $n = 1(1)5$ ) for selected parameter values. The computed values to six decimal places are reported in Table 1. It can be noted that the condition  $\sum_{r=1}^n \mu_{r:n} = nE(X)$  holds (see David and Nagaraja, 2003).

The variance of  $X_{r:n}$  ( $1 \leq r \leq n$ ) is  $V(X_{r:n}) = \mu_{r:n}^{(2)} - [\mu_{r:n}^{(1)}]^2$ , where  $\mu_{r:n}^{(1)}$  and  $\mu_{r:n}^{(2)}$  can be calculated by setting  $k = 1$  and  $k = 2$  in Equation (13), respectively. The R software (R Core Team, 2016) is used to compute the means, second moments and variances.

**Table 1:** Means, second moments and variances of order statistics.

|     |     | $d = 0.50$                    |                   |              |                               |                   |              |
|-----|-----|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
|     |     | $\alpha = 0.25, \beta = 0.75$ |                   |              | $\alpha = 0.75, \beta = 0.25$ |                   |              |
| $n$ | $r$ | $\mu_{r:n}^{(1)}$             | $\mu_{r:n}^{(2)}$ | $V[X_{r:n}]$ | $\mu_{r:n}^{(1)}$             | $\mu_{r:n}^{(2)}$ | $V[X_{r:n}]$ |
| 1   | 1   | 0.013726                      | 0.004213          | 0.004024     | 0.013719                      | 0.003157          | 0.002968     |
| 2   | 1   | 0.023849                      | 0.007062          | 0.006493     | 0.013363                      | 0.002548          | 0.002369     |
|     | 2   | 0.003602                      | 0.001363          | 0.001351     | 0.014075                      | 0.003766          | 0.003568     |
| 3   | 1   | 0.031307                      | 0.008945          | 0.007965     | 0.010607                      | 0.001677          | 0.001565     |
|     | 2   | 0.008935                      | 0.003296          | 0.003216     | 0.018876                      | 0.004288          | 0.003932     |
|     | 3   | 0.000935                      | 0.000397          | 0.000397     | 0.011675                      | 0.003504          | 0.003368     |
| 4   | 1   | 0.036770                      | 0.010140          | 0.008788     | 0.007984                      | 0.001049          | 0.000985     |
|     | 2   | 0.014916                      | 0.005360          | 0.005137     | 0.018476                      | 0.003562          | 0.003221     |
|     | 3   | 0.002953                      | 0.001231          | 0.001223     | 0.019277                      | 0.005015          | 0.004643     |
|     | 4   | 0.000263                      | 0.000119          | 0.000119     | 0.009140                      | 0.003001          | 0.002917     |
| 5   | 1   | 0.040730                      | 0.010844          | 0.009185     | 0.005938                      | 0.000649          | 0.000614     |
|     | 2   | 0.020931                      | 0.007325          | 0.006887     | 0.016170                      | 0.002646          | 0.002385     |
|     | 3   | 0.005894                      | 0.002411          | 0.002377     | 0.021934                      | 0.004936          | 0.004455     |
|     | 4   | 0.000992                      | 0.000445          | 0.000444     | 0.017505                      | 0.005067          | 0.004761     |
|     | 5   | 0.000081                      | 0.000038          | 0.000038     | 0.007049                      | 0.002484          | 0.002434     |
|     |     | $d = 0.90$                    |                   |              |                               |                   |              |
|     |     | $\alpha = 0.25, \beta = 0.75$ |                   |              | $\alpha = 0.75, \beta = 0.25$ |                   |              |
| $n$ | $r$ | $\mu_{r:n}^{(1)}$             | $\mu_{r:n}^{(2)}$ | $V[X_{r:n}]$ | $\mu_{r:n}^{(1)}$             | $\mu_{r:n}^{(2)}$ | $V[X_{r:n}]$ |
| 1   | 1   | 0.035482                      | 0.019216          | 0.017957     | 0.025358                      | 0.010194          | 0.009551     |
| 2   | 1   | 0.057569                      | 0.029494          | 0.026180     | 0.022597                      | 0.007307          | 0.006797     |
|     | 2   | 0.013394                      | 0.008938          | 0.008758     | 0.028120                      | 0.013081          | 0.012290     |
| 3   | 1   | 0.071164                      | 0.034511          | 0.029446     | 0.016735                      | 0.004361          | 0.004081     |
|     | 2   | 0.030381                      | 0.019462          | 0.018539     | 0.03432                       | 0.013200          | 0.012023     |
|     | 3   | 0.004901                      | 0.003675          | 0.003651     | 0.02502                       | 0.013021          | 0.012395     |
| 4   | 1   | 0.079262                      | 0.036410          | 0.030127     | 0.011916                      | 0.002509          | 0.002367     |
|     | 2   | 0.046870                      | 0.028814          | 0.026617     | 0.031192                      | 0.009918          | 0.008945     |
|     | 3   | 0.013891                      | 0.010109          | 0.009916     | 0.037447                      | 0.016483          | 0.015081     |
|     | 4   | 0.001904                      | 0.001531          | 0.001527     | 0.020878                      | 0.011867          | 0.011431     |
| 5   | 1   | 0.083749                      | 0.036471          | 0.029457     | 0.008468                      | 0.001445          | 0.001373     |
|     | 2   | 0.061312                      | 0.036166          | 0.032406     | 0.025708                      | 0.006763          | 0.006102     |
|     | 3   | 0.025207                      | 0.017787          | 0.017152     | 0.039418                      | 0.014650          | 0.013096     |
|     | 4   | 0.006347                      | 0.004991          | 0.004951     | 0.036134                      | 0.017706          | 0.016400     |
|     | 5   | 0.000794                      | 0.000666          | 0.000665     | 0.017064                      | 0.010407          | 0.010116     |



### 3. Some statistical properties

#### 3.1. L-Moments

The L-moments are expectations of certain linear combinations of order statistics (Hosking, 1990). The  $m$ th L-moment of a distribution can be defined as

$$\lambda_m = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} (-1)^j \binom{m-1}{j} \mu_{m-j:m}, \quad m \geq 1, \quad (29)$$

where

$$\mu_{i:m} = \frac{m!}{(i-1)!(m-i)!} \int_0^d x F(x)^{i-1} [1 - F(x)]^{m-i} f(x) dx.$$

L-moments are direct analogous to the conventional moments such as mean, variance, skewness, kurtosis, and so on. The properties and applications of L-moments were much explored by Hosking (1990). In comparison to conventional moments, L-moments have lower sample variances and are more robust against outliers. Apart from summarization of observed data, L-moments can also be used in model specification to characterize probability distributions, parameter estimation and hypothesis testing.

Setting  $n = 1, 2, 3$  and 4 in Equation (29), the first four L-moments easily follow. The L-moments for the omega distribution can be written as  $\lambda_1 = \mu_{1:1}$ ,  $\lambda_2 = \mu_{2:2} - \mu_{1:1}$ ,  $\lambda_3 = 2\mu_{3:3} - 3\mu_{2:2} + \mu_{1:1}$  and  $\lambda_4 = 5\mu_{4:4} - 10\mu_{3:3} + 6\mu_{2:2} - \mu_{1:1}$ , where

$$\mu_{i:i} = i\alpha d^{\beta+1} B\left(\frac{1}{\beta} + 1, \frac{i\alpha d^{\beta}}{2} + 1\right) {}_2F_1\left(\frac{i\alpha d^{\beta}}{2} + 1, \frac{1}{\beta} + 1; \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{i\alpha d^{\beta}}{2} + 1; -1\right).$$

Hosking (1990) also introduced some L-moment ratios. For example, L-coefficient of variation (L-CV) which is a dimensionless measure of variability given by  $\lambda_2/\lambda_1$ , and L-skewness and L-kurtosis which are dimensionless measures of asymmetry and kurtosis defined by  $\tau_3 = \lambda_3/\lambda_2$  and  $\tau_4 = \lambda_4/\lambda_2$ , respectively. The L-moments of the omega distribution are computed to six decimal places for selected parameter values, and the results are reported in Table 2.

#### 3.2. Incomplete moments

Okorie and Nadarajah (2019) derived closed form non-central moments of  $X$ , say  $\mu'_r = E(X^r)$ , which can be obtained from (16) with  $k = 1$ . The  $r$ th incomplete moment of  $X$ , say  $\mu'_r(t)$ , is

$$\mu'_r(t) = \int_0^t x^r f(x) dx, \quad (30)$$

and substituting from (1) gives

$$\mu'_r(t) = \alpha\beta d^{\beta} \int_0^t \frac{x^{r+\beta}}{d^{2\beta} - x^{2\beta}} \left(\frac{d^{\beta} + x^{\beta}}{d^{\beta} - x^{\beta}}\right)^{-\frac{\alpha d^{\beta}}{2}} dx. \quad (31)$$

It can be easily shown that

$$\int_t^{\infty} x^r f(x) dx = \mu'_r - \mu'_r(t). \quad (32)$$

The first incomplete moment of  $X$  follows from Equation (30) when  $r = 1$ , which also gives the mean deviations and the Bonferroni and Lorenz curves.

**Table 2:** L-moments of the omega distribution.

|             | $d = 0.20$                    |                               |                               |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|             | $\alpha = 0.25, \beta = 0.75$ | $\alpha = 0.50, \beta = 0.50$ | $\alpha = 0.75, \beta = 0.25$ |
| $\lambda_1$ | 0.001859                      | 0.004310                      | 0.004390                      |
| $\lambda_2$ | -0.001602                     | -0.002471                     | -0.000367                     |
| $\lambda_3$ | 0.001162                      | 0.000246                      | -0.001655                     |
| $\lambda_4$ | -0.000661                     | 0.000943                      | 0.000363                      |
| L-CV        | -0.861414                     | -0.573207                     | -0.083695                     |
| L-skewness  | -0.725598                     | -0.099589                     | 4.504543                      |
| L-kurtosis  | 0.412664                      | -0.381677                     | -0.987604                     |
|             | $d = 0.50$                    |                               |                               |
|             | $\alpha = 0.25, \beta = 0.75$ | $\alpha = 0.50, \beta = 0.50$ | $\alpha = 0.75, \beta = 0.25$ |
| $\lambda_1$ | 0.008609                      | 0.014787                      | 0.011707                      |
| $\lambda_2$ | -0.006418                     | -0.005931                     | 0.000522                      |
| $\lambda_3$ | 0.00319                       | -0.002199                     | -0.004351                     |
| $\lambda_4$ | -0.000395                     | 0.003567                      | -0.000487                     |
| L-CV        | -0.745481                     | -0.401099                     | 0.044580                      |
| L-skewness  | -0.497129                     | 0.370738                      | -8.33625                      |
| L-kurtosis  | 0.061485                      | -0.601398                     | -0.932747                     |
|             | $d = 0.90$                    |                               |                               |
|             | $\alpha = 0.25, \beta = 0.75$ | $\alpha = 0.50, \beta = 0.50$ | $\alpha = 0.75, \beta = 0.25$ |
| $\lambda_1$ | 0.022307                      | 0.031476                      | 0.021566                      |
| $\lambda_2$ | -0.01418                      | -0.008611                     | 0.002748                      |
| $\lambda_3$ | 0.003914                      | -0.007655                     | -0.007433                     |
| $\lambda_4$ | 0.002497                      | 0.005752                      | -0.002429                     |
| L-CV        | -0.635665                     | -0.273568                     | 0.127432                      |
| L-skewness  | -0.276027                     | 0.888975                      | -2.704682                     |
| L-kurtosis  | -0.176061                     | -0.668018                     | -0.883949                     |

#### 4. Methods of Estimation

Dombi *et al.* (2019) proposed two approaches for practical statistical estimation of the omega parameters: the first one is the GLOBAL method to maximize the log-likelihood function, and the second depends on fitting its *cdf* to an empirical *cdf*. In this section, we discuss some other methods to estimate the parameters of the omega distribution.

##### 4.1. Maximum likelihood estimation

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from the omega distribution with corresponding observations  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . Also, let  $X_{1:n} < \dots < X_{r:n}$  ( $r \leq n$ ) be the first  $r$  order statistics of a random sample of size  $n$ , which represents the type-II right censored data. Note that if  $r = n$ , we deal with the complete data. The maximum likelihood estimate (MLE) of  $d$  follows by noting that  $d > \max\{x_i\}_{i=1,\dots,r}$ . So, the MLE of  $d$  is  $\hat{d} = \max\{x_i\}_{i=1,\dots,r}$ . We write the likelihood function in type-II right censored data to find the MLEs of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as

$$L(\theta) \equiv L(\alpha, \beta, d) = C [1 - F(x_r; \theta)]^{n-r} \prod_{i=1}^r f(x_i; \theta).$$

The statistical literature contains many papers for estimation under different censoring types and all the derivations in these papers are based on the MLE method. So, using (1) and (2), we have

$$L(\theta) = C \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_r^\beta}{d^\beta - x_r^\beta} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha d^\beta (n-r)} \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{\alpha \beta d^{2\beta} x_i^{\beta-1}}{d^{2\beta} - x_i^{2\beta}} \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_i^\beta}{d^\beta - x_i^\beta} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha d^\beta}.$$

The log-likelihood function,  $\ell(\theta)$ , is

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\theta) &= \ln C + r \ln \alpha + r \ln \beta + (2r \ln d + \sum_{i=1}^r \ln x_i) \beta - \sum_{i=1}^r \ln x_i - \sum_{i=1}^r \ln(d^{2\beta} - x_i^{2\beta}) \\ &- \frac{\alpha}{2} \left[ d^\beta \left( \sum_{i=1}^r \ln \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_i^\beta}{d^\beta - x_i^\beta} \right) - (n-r) \ln \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_r^\beta}{d^\beta - x_r^\beta} \right) \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The first partial derivatives of  $\ell$  with respect to  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \alpha} &= \frac{r}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} \left[ d^\beta \left( \sum_{i=1}^r \ln \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_i^\beta}{d^\beta - x_i^\beta} \right) - (n-r) \ln \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_r^\beta}{d^\beta - x_r^\beta} \right) \right) \right], \\ \frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \beta} &= \frac{r}{\beta} + \frac{\alpha d^\beta (n-r)}{2} \left( \frac{2x_r^\beta (\ln x_r - \ln d)}{d^{2\beta} - x_r^{2\beta}} + \ln \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_r^\beta}{d^\beta - x_r^\beta} \ln d \right) \right) \\ &- \alpha d^\beta \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{x_i^\beta (\ln x_i - \ln d)}{d^{2\beta} - x_i^{2\beta}} + (2r \ln d + \sum_{i=1}^r \ln x_i) - 2 \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{d^{2\beta} \ln d - x_i^{2\beta} \ln x_i}{d^{2\beta} - x_i^{2\beta}} \\ &- \frac{\alpha d^\beta}{2} \ln d \sum_{i=1}^r \ln \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_i^\beta}{d^\beta - x_i^\beta} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The MLEs  $\hat{\alpha}$  and  $\hat{\beta}$  can be derived by solving the previous nonlinear equations using the MLE of  $d$  therein.

#### 4.2. Ordinary and weighted least-squares

Swain *et al.* (1988) proposed the least squares (LS) and weighted least squares (WLS) to obtain estimates of the parameters of the beta distribution.

Let  $X_{1:n} < \dots < X_{n:n}$  be the order statistics of a random sample of size  $n$  from the omega distribution with cdf (2). It is well known that  $E[F(X_{i:n})] = \frac{i}{n+1}$  and  $V[F(X_{i:n})] = \frac{i(n-i+1)}{(n+1)^2(n+2)}$ .

The least square estimates (LSEs)  $\hat{\alpha}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}$  and  $\hat{d}$  can be determined by minimizing

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \left[ 1 - \frac{\alpha \beta d^{2\beta} x_{(j)}^{\beta-1}}{d^{2\beta} - x_{(j)}^{2\beta}} \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_{(j)}^\beta}{d^\beta - x_{(j)}^\beta} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha d^\beta} - \frac{j}{n+1} \right]^2,$$

with respect to  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $d$ .

The weighted least squares estimates (WLSEs) of the unknown parameters can be determined by minimizing

$$\sum_{j=1}^n w_j \left[ 1 - \frac{\alpha \beta d^{2\beta} x_{(j)}^{\beta-1}}{d^{2\beta} - x_{(j)}^{2\beta}} \left( \frac{d^\beta + x_{(j)}^\beta}{d^\beta - x_{(j)}^\beta} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha d^\beta} - \frac{j}{n+1} \right]^2,$$

with respect to these parameters, where the weight function  $w_j$  at the  $j$ th point is  $w_j = \frac{1}{V[F(X_{j:n})]} = \frac{(n+1)^2(n+2)}{j(n-j+1)}$ .

### 4.3. Maximum product of spacing

Alternative method to the ML method for estimating the parameters of a specific continuous distribution called maximum product of spacing (MPS) was introduced by Cheng and Amin (1983) and Ranneby (1984).

Let  $x_{(1)} < \dots < x_{(n)}$  denote the observed order statistics. Then, for the cdf of the omega distribution (2), we define the uniform spacing  $D_i(\alpha, \beta)$  (for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) by

$$D_i(\alpha, \beta) = F(x_{(i)}; \alpha, \beta) - F(x_{(i-1)}; \alpha, \beta),$$

where  $F(x_{(0)}; \alpha, \beta) = 0$  and  $F(x_{(n+1)}; \alpha, \beta) = 1$ . Note that  $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} D_i(\alpha, \beta) = 1$ . We can obtain the MPS estimates (MPSEs) of the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  (with fixed value for  $d$ ) by maximizing the geometric mean of the uniform spacing

$$G(\alpha, \beta) = \left[ \prod_{i=1}^n D_i(\alpha, \beta) \right]^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$$

with respect to  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . This can be done equivalently by maximizing the function

$$M(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n \log [D_i(\alpha, \beta)].$$

The MPSE of the unknown vector parameter  $\theta = (\alpha, \beta)$  can be found by solving the non-linear equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial M(\theta)}{\partial \alpha} &= \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{D_i(\theta)} \left[ g_1(x_{(i)}; \theta) - g_1(x_{(i-1)}; \theta) \right] = 0, \\ \frac{\partial M(\theta)}{\partial \beta} &= \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{D_i(\theta)} \left[ g_2(x_{(i)}; \theta) - g_2(x_{(i-1)}; \theta) \right] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$g_1(x_{(\cdot)}; \theta) = \frac{\partial F(x_{(\cdot)}; \theta)}{\partial \alpha} \text{ and } g_2(x_{(\cdot)}; \theta) = \frac{\partial F(x_{(\cdot)}; \theta)}{\partial \beta}.$$

### 4.4. Percentiles

Since the omega distribution has a closed form cdf, one can obtain estimates of  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $d$  by equating the sample percentile points with the population percentiles which is known as the percentile method. If  $p_i$  denotes an estimate of  $F(x_i : n; \alpha, \beta, d)$ , then the percentile estimates  $\hat{\alpha}_{PE}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_{PE}$  and  $\hat{d}_{PE}$  can be obtained by minimizing the function

$$P(\alpha, \beta, d) = \sum_{j=1}^n [x_j - Q(p_j)]^2,$$

206 where  $Q(p_i)$  for the omega distribution is

$$Q(p_i) = d \left[ \frac{(1 - p_i)^{-2/\alpha d^\beta} - 1}{(1 - p_i)^{-2/\alpha d^\beta} + 1} \right]^{\frac{1}{\beta}},$$

207 and  $p_i = \frac{i}{n+1}$  is the unbiased estimator of  $F(X_{i:n}; \alpha, \beta, d)$ .

208 4.5. *Anderson–Darling and right-tail Anderson–Darling*

The Anderson–Darling estimates (ADEs) of the omega parameters can be found by minimizing

$$A(\alpha, \beta, d) = -n - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (2i - 1) \left[ \log F(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d) + \log S(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d) \right],$$

with respect to  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $d$ . These ADEs are also obtained by solving the non-linear equations

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (2i - 1) \left[ \frac{\Delta_s(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d)}{F(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d)} - \frac{\Delta_s(x_{(n+1-i)} | \alpha, \beta, d)}{S(x_{(n+1-i)} | \alpha, \beta, d)} \right] = 0, \quad s = 1, 2, 3,$$

209 where

$$\Delta_1(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} F(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d), \quad \Delta_2(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} F(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d)$$

210 and

$$\Delta_3(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d) = \frac{\partial}{\partial d} F(x_{(i)} | \alpha, \beta, d).$$

The Right-tail Anderson–Darling estimates (RADEs) of the omega parameters are determined by minimizing

$$R(\alpha, \beta, d) = \frac{n}{2} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n F(x_{i:n} | \alpha, \beta, d) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (2i - 1) \log S(x_{n+1-i:n} | \alpha, \beta, d),$$

with respect to these parameters. The RADEs can also be calculated by solving the following non-linear equations

$$-2 \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta_s(x_{i:n} | \alpha, \beta, d) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (2i - 1) \frac{\Delta_s(x_{n+1-i:n} | \alpha, \beta, d)}{S(x_{n+1-i:n} | \alpha, \beta, d)} = 0, \quad s = 1, 2, 3.$$

## 211 5. Simulations

212 Samples of order statistics of sizes  $n = 25, 50, 100$  are simulated from the  $\text{Omg}(\alpha, \beta)$  model, where  
 213  $d$  has two values  $d = 2.5, 5$ . The other parameters are unknown and samples of sizes  $n = 100, 200$   
 214 are simulated from the  $\text{Omg}(\alpha, \beta, d)$  model. To compare the performance of the reported estimation  
 215 methods in the previous section, we consider the following scenarios:

216 (i) Two unknown parameters: we use two actual values of the unknown parameters  $\alpha = 0.87, 1.2$ ,  
 217 and  $\beta = 0.93, 1.13$ . The results for the estimates of the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  by the seven described  
 218 methods and their MSEs are reported in Tables 3-5.

**Table 3:** The MLEs, LSEs, WLSEs, MPSEs, PCEs, ADEs, RADEs and their MSEs.

| $n = 25, d = 2.5$ |      |                |               |                |               |                |               |         |         |          |          |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|-------------------|------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| Actual Value      |      | MLE MSE        |               |                |               |                |               | LSE MSE |         | WLSE MSE |          | MPSE MSE |         | PCE MSE |         | ADE MSE |         | RADE MSE |         |
|                   |      | $r = 19$       |               | $r = 22$       |               | $r = 25$       |               |         |         |          |          |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|                   |      | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ |         |         |          |          |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| 0.87              | 0.93 | 1.90361        | 0.97775       | 1.17247        | 0.98500       | 0.70901        | 0.93445       | 1.08478 | 1.04719 | 1.07467  | 1.03326  | 0.83278  | 0.84073 | 0.84178 | 0.90401 | 0.85494 | 0.92186 | 0.84801  | 0.94972 |
|                   |      | 1.06834        | 0.00228       | 0.09149        | 0.00303       | 0.02592        | 0.00002       | 0.04613 | 0.01373 | 0.04189  | 0.01066  | 0.01256  | 0.02182 | 0.01404 | 0.02933 | 0.01461 | 0.02129 | 0.01488  | 0.02885 |
|                   |      | 1.76199        | 1.19622       | 1.12939        | 1.20065       | 0.70856        | 1.13624       | 1.16218 | 1.08787 | 1.14776  | 1.06316  | 0.84693  | 1.02608 | 0.83936 | 1.08234 | 0.85357 | 1.11997 | 0.87280  | 1.15809 |
| 1.2               | 0.93 | 0.79564        | 0.00439       | 0.06728        | 0.00499       | 0.02606        | 0.00004       | 0.08537 | 0.00177 | 0.07715  | 0.00447  | 0.01372  | 0.03125 | 0.01253 | 0.03498 | 0.01788 | 0.02374 | 0.01631  | 0.03774 |
|                   |      | 2.69826        | 1.02435       | 1.64527        | 1.01351       | 0.97872        | 0.93556       | 0.98912 | 0.99923 | 1.03952  | 1.001991 | 1.12266  | 0.84731 | 1.14453 | 0.87031 | 1.18940 | 0.93200 | 1.17475  | 0.94700 |
|                   |      | 2.24480        | 0.00890       | 0.19827        | 0.00697       | 0.04897        | 0.00003       | 0.04426 | 0.00479 | 0.02575  | 0.00808  | 0.02816  | 0.02060 | 0.03028 | 0.02721 | 0.02773 | 0.01854 | 0.02763  | 0.02239 |
|                   |      | 2.49098        | 1.23895       | 1.58396        | 1.22766       | 0.97824        | 1.13743       | 1.07621 | 1.02107 | 1.11504  | 1.04399  | 1.12919  | 1.02693 | 1.15512 | 1.07141 | 1.18158 | 1.12426 | 1.19308  | 1.14571 |
|                   |      | 1.66662        | 0.01187       | 0.14743        | 0.00954       | 0.04918        | 0.00006       | 0.01532 | 0.01187 | 0.00722  | 0.00740  | 0.02911  | 0.02749 | 0.02515 | 0.03222 | 0.02687 | 0.02214 | 0.02713  | 0.02518 |
| $n = 25, d = 5$   |      |                |               |                |               |                |               |         |         |          |          |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| Actual Value      |      | MLE MSE        |               |                |               |                |               | LSE MSE |         | WLSE MSE |          | MPSE MSE |         | PCE MSE |         | ADE MSE |         | RADE MSE |         |
|                   |      | $r = 19$       |               | $r = 22$       |               | $r = 25$       |               |         |         |          |          |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|                   |      | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ |         |         |          |          |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| 0.87              | 0.93 | 1.54211        | 1.03280       | 1.05172        | 1.00841       | 0.70734        | 0.93657       | 1.08327 | 1.05595 | 1.05401  | 1.02839  | 0.83803  | 0.85779 | 0.84783 | 0.88259 | 0.85959 | 0.93044 | 0.85968  | 0.93157 |
|                   |      | 0.45173        | 0.01057       | 0.03302        | 0.00615       | 0.02646        | 0.00004       | 0.04548 | 0.01586 | 0.03386  | 0.00968  | 0.01207  | 0.01719 | 0.01629 | 0.02632 | 0.01506 | 0.01487 | 0.01665  | 0.01880 |
|                   |      | 1.45280        | 1.30177       | 1.01514        | 1.24375       | 0.70639        | 1.13942       | 1.16405 | 1.10418 | 1.13861  | 1.06261  | 0.85525  | 1.03388 | 0.86585 | 1.06827 | 0.88848 | 1.13508 | 0.85762  | 1.14933 |
| 1.2               | 0.93 | 0.33965        | 0.02950       | 0.02107        | 0.01294       | 0.02677        | 0.00009       | 0.08647 | 0.00067 | 0.07215  | 0.00454  | 0.01174  | 0.02582 | 0.01738 | 0.02158 | 0.01738 | 0.02158 | 0.01746  | 0.02570 |
|                   |      | 2.20326        | 1.04720       | 1.48388        | 1.01874       | 0.97695        | 0.93775       | 0.96939 | 0.99884 | 0.97100  | 1.00069  | 1.14440  | 0.85349 | 1.19189 | 0.92439 | 1.19189 | 0.92439 | 1.18214  | 0.95906 |
|                   |      | 1.00654        | 0.01373       | 0.08059        | 0.00788       | 0.04975        | 0.00006       | 0.05318 | 0.00474 | 0.05244  | 0.00500  | 0.02648  | 0.01456 | 0.02443 | 0.02621 | 0.02620 | 0.01366 | 0.02943  | 0.01693 |
|                   |      | 2.10115        | 1.30970       | 1.44094        | 1.25042       | 0.97603        | 1.14093       | 1.06191 | 1.02706 | 1.06082  | 1.02775  | 1.15861  | 1.03901 | 1.15246 | 1.04726 | 1.19892 | 1.13898 | 1.19322  | 1.13811 |
|                   |      | 0.81207        | 0.03229       | 0.05805        | 0.01450       | 0.05016        | 0.00012       | 0.01907 | 0.01060 | 0.01937  | 0.01045  | 0.02281  | 0.02187 | 0.02003 | 0.03058 | 0.02772 | 0.01767 | 0.02920  | 0.02455 |

**Table 4:** The MLEs, LSEs, WLSEs, MPSEs, PCEs, ADEs, RADEs and their MSEs.

| $n = 50, d = 2.5$ |      |                |               |                |               |                |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|-------------------|------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| Actual Value      |      | MLE MSE        |               |                |               |                |               | LSE MSE |         | WLSE MSE |         | MPSE MSE |         | PCE MSE |         | ADE MSE |         | RADE MSE |         |
|                   |      | $r = 43$       |               | $r = 47$       |               | $r = 50$       |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|                   |      | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| 0.87              | 0.93 | 1.34853        | 1.00804       | 1.01406        | 1.02278       | 0.78926        | 0.97620       | 1.12365 | 1.05208 | 1.11842  | 1.03861 | 0.83136  | 0.87720 | 0.86727 | 0.91031 | 0.86670 | 0.93192 | 0.86835  | 0.92905 |
|                   |      | 0.22899        | 0.00609       | 0.02075        | 0.00861       | 0.00652        | 0.00213       | 0.06434 | 0.01490 | 0.06171  | 0.01180 | 0.00717  | 0.01052 | 0.00786 | 0.01416 | 0.00847 | 0.00912 | 0.00689  | 0.01213 |
|                   |      | 1.29182        | 1.23316       | 0.99197        | 1.25150       | 0.78534        | 1.19121       | 1.20831 | 1.09239 | 1.19600  | 1.06877 | 0.84425  | 1.05951 | 0.86358 | 1.09930 | 0.85660 | 1.13831 | 0.86605  | 1.13738 |
| 1.2               | 0.93 | 0.17793        | 0.01064       | 0.01488        | 0.01476       | 0.00717        | 0.00375       | 0.11445 | 0.00141 | 0.10627  | 0.00375 | 0.00732  | 0.01473 | 0.00779 | 0.01810 | 0.00802 | 0.01366 | 0.00883  | 0.01779 |
|                   |      | 1.91432        | 1.04520       | 1.43378        | 1.04552       | 1.09919        | 0.98271       | 1.00075 | 0.99885 | 1.08239  | 1.02611 | 1.15683  | 0.88122 | 1.16811 | 0.90605 | 1.19586 | 0.93076 | 1.18405  | 0.93916 |
|                   |      | 0.51025        | 0.01327       | 0.05465        | 0.01335       | 0.01016        | 0.00278       | 0.03970 | 0.00474 | 0.01383  | 0.00924 | 0.01169  | 0.00889 | 0.01300 | 0.01205 | 0.01282 | 0.00771 | 0.01480  | 0.00941 |
| 1.13              | 1.13 | 1.83291        | 1.26779       | 1.40502        | 1.27320       | 1.09529        | 1.19679       | 1.09726 | 1.02205 | 1.16675  | 1.05265 | 1.15442  | 1.07899 | 1.16688 | 1.09085 | 1.19491 | 1.11544 | 1.19832  | 1.13403 |
|                   |      | 0.40057        | 0.01899       | 0.04203        | 0.02051       | 0.01097        | 0.00446       | 0.01056 | 0.01165 | 0.00111  | 0.00598 | 0.01425  | 0.01164 | 0.01252 | 0.01511 | 0.01377 | 0.01384 | 0.01243  | 0.01422 |

| $n = 50, d = 5$ |      |                |               |                |               |                |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|-----------------|------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| Actual Value    |      | MLE MSE        |               |                |               |                |               | LSE MSE |         | WLSE MSE |         | MPSE MSE |         | PCE MSE |         | ADE MSE |         | RADE MSE |         |
|                 |      | $r = 43$       |               | $r = 47$       |               | $r = 50$       |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|                 |      | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| 0.87            | 0.93 | 1.19276        | 1.04442       | 0.94912        | 1.04919       | 0.77686        | 0.98620       | 1.10071 | 1.05384 | 1.06551  | 1.02568 | 0.85951  | 0.87735 | 0.86037 | 0.89362 | 0.86465 | 0.93171 | 0.86160  | 0.93042 |
|                 |      | 0.10418        | 0.01309       | 0.00626        | 0.01421       | 0.00868        | 0.00316       | 0.05323 | 0.01534 | 0.03822  | 0.00915 | 0.00773  | 0.00756 | 0.00906 | 0.01399 | 0.00770 | 0.00757 | 0.00718  | 0.00901 |
|                 |      | 1.14805        | 1.29397       | 0.92835        | 1.28804       | 0.77266        | 1.20042       | 1.19059 | 1.10049 | 1.15709  | 1.05861 | 0.85970  | 1.06870 | 0.87311 | 1.06892 | 0.87015 | 1.12682 | 0.86461  | 1.13474 |
| 1.2             | 0.93 | 0.07731        | 0.02689       | 0.00341        | 0.02498       | 0.00496        | 0.00496       | 0.10278 | 0.00087 | 0.08242  | 0.00510 | 0.00674  | 0.01131 | 0.00821 | 0.01762 | 0.00704 | 0.01042 | 0.00886  | 0.01165 |
|                 |      | 1.70553        | 1.05709       | 1.35483        | 1.05781       | 1.08732        | 0.98796       | 0.98537 | 1.00050 | 0.99420  | 1.00447 | 1.17078  | 0.88325 | 1.17816 | 0.89004 | 1.20293 | 0.92650 | 1.20355  | 0.93267 |
|                 |      | 0.25556        | 0.01615       | 0.02397        | 0.01634       | 0.01270        | 0.00336       | 0.04607 | 0.00497 | 0.04235  | 0.00555 | 0.01226  | 0.00662 | 0.01368 | 0.01235 | 0.01354 | 0.00688 | 0.01527  | 0.00945 |
| 1.13            | 1.13 | 1.65395        | 1.30184       | 1.33259        | 1.29386       | 1.08356        | 1.20149       | 1.08266 | 1.02744 | 1.09014  | 1.03172 | 1.17186  | 1.06329 | 1.18024 | 1.07519 | 1.19245 | 1.12796 | 1.18118  | 1.14030 |
|                 |      | 0.20607        | 0.02953       | 0.01758        | 0.02685       | 0.01356        | 0.00511       | 0.01377 | 0.01052 | 0.01207  | 0.00966 | 0.01268  | 0.01144 | 0.01249 | 0.01649 | 0.01343 | 0.00903 | 0.01486  | 0.00992 |

(ii) Three unknown parameters: we use actual values of the parameters  $\alpha = 0.87, 1.2, \beta = 0.93, 1.13$  and  $d = 3.5, 5$ . The results for the estimates of three parameters by the seven estimation methods and their MSEs are reported in Tables 6 and 7.

Based on the figures in Tables 6 and 7, we note that decreasing the  $\alpha$  actual value improves the  $\beta$  estimates, while increasing the  $\beta$  actual value improves the  $\alpha$  estimates. Further, we note that increasing  $d$  gives good estimates of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . The MLEs, MPSEs, ADEs, RADEs, WLSEs, LSEs, and PCEs are evaluated based on the following quantities including the average estimates and the MSEs for each sample size. The figures in Tables 3-7 indicate that the behaviors of the estimates of the omega parameters are good and show small MSEs in all cases, i.e., these estimates are quite reliable and very close to the actual parameter values. Moreover, the MSEs decrease when  $n$  increases, thus showing that these estimators are consistent for the parameters. On the other hand, the performance ordering of the proposed estimators, from best to worst, in terms of their MSEs is MLE, MPSE, ADE, RADE, WLSE, LSE, and PCE in most of these cases.

**Table 5:** The MLEs, LSEs, WLSEs, MPSEs, PCEs, ADEs, RADEs and their MSEs.

| n = 100, d = 2.5 |      |                |               |                |               |                |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|------------------|------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| Actual Value     |      | MLE MSE        |               |                |               |                |               | LSE MSE |         | WLSE MSE |         | MPSE MSE |         | PCE MSE |         | ADE MSE |         | RADE MSE |         |
|                  |      | r = 85         |               | r = 95         |               | r = 100        |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|                  |      | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| 0.87             | 0.93 | 1.45050        | 0.95173       | 0.97891        | 0.93983       | 0.74543        | 0.87881       | 1.04628 | 1.02686 | 1.05436  | 1.01859 | 0.85500  | 0.89777 | 0.86302 | 0.91781 | 0.86457 | 0.93082 | 0.86860  | 0.93064 |
|                  |      | 0.33698        | 0.00047       | 0.01186        | 0.00010       | 0.01552        | 0.00262       | 0.03107 | 0.00938 | 0.03399  | 0.00785 | 0.00330  | 0.00455 | 0.00315 | 0.00734 | 0.00346 | 0.00492 | 0.00373  | 0.00652 |
|                  |      | 1.38531        | 1.15687       | 0.96318        | 1.14421       | 0.74886        | 1.06856       | 1.12466 | 1.05904 | 1.12377  | 1.04149 | 0.86294  | 1.09025 | 0.86783 | 1.11965 | 0.86321 | 1.13137 | 0.86643  | 1.13577 |
| 1.2              | 0.93 | 0.26554        | 0.00072       | 0.00868        | 0.00020       | 0.01468        | 0.00377       | 0.06485 | 0.00504 | 0.06440  | 0.00783 | 0.00311  | 0.00655 | 0.00367 | 0.00805 | 0.00315 | 0.00569 | 0.00337  | 0.00821 |
|                  |      | 2.02646        | 0.98252       | 1.35536        | 0.95649       | 1.01827        | 0.87988       | 0.93840 | 0.97469 | 1.02700  | 1.01074 | 1.17643  | 0.89712 | 1.19057 | 0.91267 | 1.19480 | 0.93004 | 1.18940  | 0.93878 |
|                  |      | 0.68304        | 0.00276       | 0.02414        | 0.00070       | 0.03303        | 0.00251       | 0.06843 | 0.00200 | 0.02993  | 0.00652 | 0.00703  | 0.00412 | 0.00691 | 0.00725 | 0.00705 | 0.00386 | 0.00748  | 0.00581 |
| 1.2              | 1.13 | 1.93060        | 1.18660       | 1.33287        | 1.16146       | 1.02209        | 1.06972       | 1.01866 | 0.98638 | 1.09410  | 1.02921 | 1.16278  | 1.09422 | 1.19074 | 1.11981 | 1.19849 | 1.12524 | 1.19452  | 1.13326 |
|                  |      | 0.53378        | 0.00320       | 0.01765        | 0.00099       | 0.03165        | 0.00363       | 0.03289 | 0.02063 | 0.01122  | 0.01016 | 0.00645  | 0.00585 | 0.00771 | 0.00673 | 0.00680 | 0.00490 | 0.00681  | 0.00637 |
| n = 100, d = 5   |      |                |               |                |               |                |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| Actual Value     |      | MLE MSE        |               |                |               |                |               | LSE MSE |         | WLSE MSE |         | MPSE MSE |         | PCE MSE |         | ADE MSE |         | RADE MSE |         |
|                  |      | r = 85         |               | r = 95         |               | r = 100        |               |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
|                  |      | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |
| 0.87             | 0.93 | 1.27440        | 0.97197       | 0.93217        | 0.95269       | 0.75563        | 0.88071       | 1.02716 | 1.02834 | 1.00295  | 1.00369 | 0.86789  | 0.89946 | 0.86565 | 0.90885 | 0.86897 | 0.93038 | 0.86926  | 0.93136 |
|                  |      | 0.16354        | 0.00176       | 0.00387        | 0.00051       | 0.01308        | 0.00243       | 0.02470 | 0.00967 | 0.01768  | 0.00543 | 0.00314  | 0.00386 | 0.00431 | 0.00614 | 0.00350 | 0.00352 | 0.00368  | 0.00514 |
|                  |      | 1.22416        | 1.20242       | 0.91604        | 1.16740       | 0.75906        | 1.07067       | 1.11346 | 1.07054 | 1.08868  | 1.03031 | 0.87108  | 1.08931 | 0.87014 | 1.10645 | 0.86386 | 1.13887 | 0.87051  | 1.12814 |
| 1.2              | 0.93 | 0.12543        | 0.00525       | 0.00212        | 0.00140       | 0.01231        | 0.00352       | 0.05927 | 0.00354 | 0.04782  | 0.00994 | 0.00364  | 0.00541 | 0.00413 | 0.00803 | 0.00448 | 0.00433 | 0.00452  | 0.00566 |
|                  |      | 1.78210        | 0.98400       | 1.29300        | 0.96102       | 1.02945        | 0.88117       | 0.91602 | 0.97229 | 0.93676  | 0.98497 | 1.17599  | 0.89597 | 1.19327 | 0.90448 | 1.19926 | 0.93377 | 1.19185  | 0.92922 |
|                  |      | 0.33884        | 0.00292       | 0.00865        | 0.00096       | 0.02909        | 0.00238       | 0.08064 | 0.00179 | 0.06929  | 0.00302 | 0.00572  | 0.00408 | 0.00668 | 0.00698 | 0.00648 | 0.00359 | 0.00688  | 0.00385 |
| 1.2              | 1.13 | 1.72137        | 1.21054       | 1.27431        | 1.17384       | 1.03305        | 1.07085       | 1.00501 | 0.99249 | 1.02174  | 1.00571 | 1.17254  | 1.09691 | 1.18779 | 1.09645 | 1.19416 | 1.13131 | 1.19843  | 1.13062 |
|                  |      | 0.27183        | 0.00649       | 0.00552        | 0.00192       | 0.02787        | 0.00350       | 0.03802 | 0.01891 | 0.03178  | 0.01545 | 0.00581  | 0.00423 | 0.00599 | 0.00672 | 0.00641 | 0.00485 | 0.00680  | 0.00630 |

**Table 6:** The MLEs, LSEs, WLSEs, MPSEs, PCEs, ADEs, RADEs and their MSEs.

| Actual Value |         | MLE MSE        |               | LSE MSE        |               | WLSE MSE       |               | MPSE MSE       |               | PCE MSE        |               | ADE MSE        |               | RADE MSE       |               |         |         |
|--------------|---------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------|---------|
| $\alpha$     | $\beta$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ | $\hat{\alpha}$ | $\hat{\beta}$ |         |         |
| $n = 25$     |         |                |               |                |               |                |               |                |               |                |               |                |               |                |               |         |         |
| 0.87         | 0.93    | 2.5            | 1.16973       | 0.97058        | 0.93217       | 0.88910        | 1.04107       | 0.86182        | 0.91163       | 2.57385        | 0.82138       | 0.85666        | 2.49664       | 0.83420        | 0.87920       | 2.56399 |         |
|              |         | 1.13           | 0.08984       | 0.00165        | 0.00538       | 0.00194        | 0.02049       | 0.00280        | 0.01924       | 0.00259        | 0.05422       | 0.01783        | 0.00313       | 0.00573        | 0.01818       | 0.00216 | 0.00423 |
|              |         | 3.5            | 1.10448       | 0.96495        | 1.18576       | 0.84108        | 0.90352       | 1.17845        | 0.86217       | 0.91164        | 1.35118       | 0.84486        | 0.85089       | 1.50032        | 0.83404       | 0.87348 | 1.35676 |
| 1.13         | 2.5     | 0.05498        | 0.00122       | 0.00875        | 0.01790       | 0.02386        | 0.06853       | 0.01836        | 0.02036       | 0.67096        | 0.01564       | 0.02038        | 0.36521       | 0.01730        | 0.02271       | 0.30768 |         |
|              |         | 1.13           | 1.12800       | 1.17398        | 2.37765       | 0.85638        | 0.10346       | 2.62488        | 0.85913       | 1.11324        | 2.62429       | 0.82903        | 1.05127       | 2.50626        | 0.83602       | 1.10019 | 2.54137 |
|              |         | 3.5            | 0.06656       | 0.00193        | 0.01497       | 0.01898        | 0.03815       | 0.15516        | 0.01913       | 0.03248        | 0.12087       | 0.01773        | 0.03359       | 0.05968        | 0.01710       | 0.03425 | 0.09475 |
| 1.2          | 0.93    | 2.5            | 1.07008       | 1.17165        | 2.99676       | 0.85381        | 1.07378       | 3.70903        | 0.84669       | 1.09664        | 3.92017       | 0.83840        | 1.02877       | 3.50698        | 0.84160       | 1.05252 |         |
|              |         | 1.13           | 0.04003       | 0.00174        | 0.25325       | 0.01652        | 0.03082       | 1.10997        | 0.01760       | 0.02850        | 1.22662       | 0.01700        | 0.02363       | 0.76098        | 0.01944       | 0.03263 | 0.92533 |
|              |         | 3.5            | 1.64922       | 0.99520        | 2.26968       | 1.17214        | 0.89429       | 2.67821        | 1.18009       | 0.91221        | 2.70901       | 1.10971        | 0.83781       | 2.49436        | 1.12330       | 0.87145 | 2.53378 |
| 1.2          | 1.13    | 0.20063        | 0.00425       | 0.05305        | 0.03925       | 0.02375        | 0.43638       | 0.03870        | 0.02129       | 0.34603        | 0.04219       | 0.02233        | 0.22219       | 0.03861        | 0.03252       | 0.27448 |         |
|              |         | 3.5            | 1.56192       | 0.97964        | 2.80003       | 1.17319        | 0.89346       | 3.78217        | 1.16352       | 0.90406        | 4.15396       | 1.12557        | 0.83339       | 3.51248        | 1.13180       | 0.84244 | 3.93617 |
|              |         | 0.13899        | 0.00246       | 0.48996        | 0.03507       | 0.02001        | 2.45763       | 0.03566        | 0.01755       | 2.35785        | 0.03856       | 0.01838        | 1.48395       | 0.03495        | 0.02396       | 1.67699 |         |
| 1.2          | 3.5     | 1.59148        | 1.19621       | 2.18668        | 1.16995       | 1.08608        | 2.54017       | 1.16945        | 1.09705       | 2.75583        | 1.14230       | 1.00355        | 2.51986       | 1.15041        | 1.06205       | 2.66932 |         |
|              |         | 0.15326        | 0.00438       | 0.09817        | 0.04165       | 0.03334        | 0.50741       | 0.03596        | 0.02842       | 0.53997        | 0.03661       | 0.03082        | 0.31262       | 0.02908        | 0.03019       | 0.42781 |         |
|              |         | 1.52164        | 1.18331       | 2.57844        | 1.16117       | 1.06498        | 3.50364       | 1.19403        | 1.12632       | 3.73279        | 1.11321       | 1.01263        | 3.50056       | 1.12579        | 1.01083       | 3.85679 |         |
| 1.2          | 3.5     | 0.10345        | 0.00284       | 0.84928        | 0.03721       | 0.02858        | 2.66621       | 0.08076        | 0.00569       | 0.76719        | 0.04336       | 0.00271        | 1.84959       | 0.03110        | 0.02952       |         |         |

**Table 7:** The MLEs, LSEs, WLSEs, MPSEs, PCEs, ADEs, RADEs and their MSEs.

| Actual Value |      | MLE MSE |         |         |         | LSE MSE  |         |         |         | WLSE MSE |         |          |         | MPSE MSE |         |         |         | PCE MSE  |         |         |         | ADE MSE |         |          |         | RADE MSE |         |         |         |         |         |
|--------------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| $\alpha$     |      | $\beta$ |         | $d$     |         | $\alpha$ |         | $\beta$ |         | $d$      |         | $\alpha$ |         | $\beta$  |         | $d$     |         | $\alpha$ |         | $\beta$ |         | $d$     |         | $\alpha$ |         | $\beta$  |         | $d$     |         |         |         |
| $n = 100$    |      |         |         |         |         |          |         |         |         |          |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |          |         |          |         |         |         |         |         |
| 0.87         | 0.93 | 0.25    | 0.25    | 0.97980 | 0.93964 | 2.49926  | 0.87104 | 0.92841 | 3.54490 | 0.86923  | 0.93406 | 2.51990  | 0.88230 | 0.90074  | 2.50732 | 0.86208 | 0.90887 | 2.50505  | 0.86507 | 0.93647 | 2.50449 | 0.87170 | 0.94490 | 2.51283  | 0.87170 | 0.94490  | 2.51283 | 0.87170 | 0.94490 | 2.51283 |         |
|              |      | 0.01184 | 0.00009 | 0.00000 | 0.00457 | 0.00576  | 0.10668 | 0.00466 | 0.00542 | 0.00330  | 0.00446 | 0.00519  | 0.00135 | 0.00382  | 0.00929 | 0.00719 | 0.00377 | 0.00486  | 0.00237 | 0.00486 | 0.00237 | 0.00486 | 0.00237 | 0.00486  | 0.00237 | 0.00486  | 0.00237 | 0.00486 | 0.00237 | 0.00486 | 0.00237 |
|              |      | 0.95295 | 0.94328 | 3.48873 | 0.86833 | 0.93153  | 3.52863 | 0.87338 | 0.92823 | 3.56461  | 0.86499 | 0.90094  | 3.53805 | 0.86737  | 0.92735 | 3.56388 | 0.86207 | 0.92739  | 3.56388 | 0.86207 | 0.92739 | 3.56388 | 0.87093 | 0.95082  | 3.52140 | 0.87093  | 0.95082 | 3.52140 | 0.87093 | 0.95082 | 3.52140 |
| 1.13         | 2.5  | 0.06688 | 0.00018 | 0.00013 | 0.00484 | 0.00624  | 0.02843 | 0.00456 | 0.00521 | 0.05955  | 0.00382 | 0.00420  | 0.03365 | 0.00411  | 0.00584 | 0.06303 | 0.00435 | 0.00491  | 0.04598 | 0.00435 | 0.00491 | 0.04598 | 0.00379 | 0.00656  | 0.03929 | 0.00379  | 0.00656 | 0.03929 | 0.00379 | 0.00656 | 0.03929 |
|              |      | 0.96291 | 1.14355 | 3.49070 | 0.87024 | 0.91158  | 2.53072 | 0.87266 | 0.91324 | 2.52738  | 0.86193 | 1.09156  | 2.52224 | 0.86641  | 1.08883 | 2.51962 | 0.86231 | 1.13790  | 2.50952 | 0.86675 | 1.14612 | 2.50749 | 0.86875 | 1.14612  | 2.50749 | 0.86875  | 1.14612 | 2.50749 | 0.86875 | 1.14612 | 2.50749 |
|              |      | 0.00863 | 0.00018 | 0.00001 | 0.00522 | 0.00827  | 0.01681 | 0.00442 | 0.00718 | 0.00896  | 0.00384 | 0.00708  | 0.00662 | 0.00437  | 0.00113 | 0.01299 | 0.00451 | 0.00725  | 0.02763 | 0.00451 | 0.00725 | 0.02763 | 0.00483 | 0.00674  | 0.00548 | 0.00483  | 0.00674 | 0.00548 | 0.00483 | 0.00674 | 0.00548 |
| 1.2          | 0.93 | 0.03611 | 0.00011 | 0.00001 | 0.00478 | 0.00585  | 0.01353 | 0.00453 | 0.00529 | 0.00896  | 0.00384 | 0.00708  | 0.00662 | 0.00437  | 0.00113 | 0.01299 | 0.00451 | 0.00725  | 0.02763 | 0.00451 | 0.00725 | 0.02763 | 0.00483 | 0.00674  | 0.00548 | 0.00483  | 0.00674 | 0.00548 | 0.00483 | 0.00674 | 0.00548 |
|              |      | 0.00437 | 0.00047 | 0.00015 | 0.00502 | 0.00807  | 0.01372 | 0.00442 | 0.00710 | 0.01808  | 0.00407 | 0.00677  | 0.01902 | 0.00393  | 0.00766 | 0.01624 | 0.00464 | 0.00743  | 0.01304 | 0.00464 | 0.00743 | 0.01304 | 0.00495 | 0.00973  | 0.00495 | 0.00973  | 0.00495 | 0.00973 | 0.00495 | 0.00973 | 0.00495 |
|              |      | 1.35447 | 0.95561 | 2.49149 | 1.26989 | 0.99291  | 2.54467 | 1.20209 | 0.93366 | 2.55229  | 1.17249 | 0.89724  | 2.53444 | 1.19713  | 0.92500 | 2.55505 | 1.19314 | 0.93896  | 2.52120 | 1.20592 | 0.94595 | 2.51118 | 1.20592 | 0.94595  | 2.51118 | 1.20592  | 0.94595 | 2.51118 | 1.20592 | 0.94595 | 2.51118 |
| 1.3          | 2.5  | 0.02386 | 0.00066 | 0.00010 | 0.01142 | 0.00582  | 0.02469 | 0.00662 | 0.00499 | 0.01502  | 0.00388 | 0.00498  | 0.01908 | 0.00398  | 0.00594 | 0.01923 | 0.00438 | 0.00448  | 0.02521 | 0.00382 | 0.00448 | 0.02521 | 0.00382 | 0.00448  | 0.02521 | 0.00382  | 0.00448 | 0.02521 | 0.00382 | 0.00448 | 0.02521 |
|              |      | 1.31572 | 0.93576 | 2.44617 | 1.31447 | 0.86466  | 2.56098 | 1.19924 | 0.91318 | 2.61566  | 1.08678 | 0.87119  | 2.59994 | 1.08681  | 0.91925 | 2.64973 | 1.12087 | 0.93855  | 2.64674 | 1.19857 | 0.94595 | 2.58809 | 1.19857 | 0.94595  | 2.58809 | 1.19857  | 0.94595 | 2.58809 | 1.19857 | 0.94595 | 2.58809 |
|              |      | 0.01384 | 0.00057 | 0.00047 | 0.01008 | 0.00435  | 0.04509 | 0.00909 | 0.00747 | 0.35629  | 0.00381 | 0.00465  | 0.22486 | 0.00343  | 0.00493 | 0.07411 | 0.22746 | 0.00902  | 0.00412 | 0.31724 | 0.00911 | 0.00557 | 0.23988 | 0.00911  | 0.00557 | 0.23988  | 0.00911 | 0.00557 | 0.23988 | 0.00911 | 0.00557 |
| 1.13         | 2.5  | 1.33151 | 1.19020 | 2.74943 | 1.19828 | 1.12829  | 2.58039 | 1.20480 | 1.13201 | 2.57926  | 1.18642 | 1.09261  | 2.54793 | 1.18623  | 1.19484 | 2.55487 | 1.20212 | 1.13189  | 2.55218 | 1.21200 | 1.14271 | 2.54204 | 1.21200 | 1.14271  | 2.54204 | 1.21200  | 1.14271 | 2.54204 | 1.21200 | 1.14271 | 2.54204 |
|              |      | 0.01924 | 0.00085 | 0.00042 | 0.01001 | 0.00719  | 0.10014 | 0.00958 | 0.00705 | 0.08651  | 0.00840 | 0.00711  | 0.04119 | 0.00950  | 0.00782 | 0.05489 | 0.01020 | 0.00803  | 0.04895 | 0.00884 | 0.00893 | 0.05142 | 0.00884 | 0.00893  | 0.05142 | 0.00884  | 0.00893 | 0.05142 | 0.00884 | 0.00893 | 0.05142 |
|              |      | 1.29619 | 1.15949 | 2.83626 | 1.29623 | 1.12362  | 2.62549 | 1.20768 | 1.13588 | 2.65960  | 1.17078 | 1.09258  | 2.57646 | 1.19085  | 1.13219 | 2.64724 | 1.20783 | 1.13708  | 2.64674 | 1.21200 | 1.14271 | 2.54204 | 1.21200 | 1.14271  | 2.54204 | 1.21200  | 1.14271 | 2.54204 | 1.21200 | 1.14271 | 2.54204 |
| 1.05         | 2.5  | 0.00925 | 0.00088 | 0.02384 | 0.00941 | 0.00749  | 1.00722 | 0.00876 | 0.00759 | 0.86719  | 0.00768 | 0.00528  | 0.75865 | 0.00768  | 0.00528 | 0.75865 | 0.00768 | 0.00528  | 0.75865 | 0.00768 | 0.00528 | 0.75865 | 0.00768 | 0.00528  | 0.75865 | 0.00768  | 0.00528 | 0.75865 | 0.00768 | 0.00528 | 0.75865 |

## 6. Real data illustration

This section discusses the flexibility of the omega distribution in fitting a real data set and compared it with other competing distributions based on the Kolmogorov–Smirnov (K-S) statistic with its associated  $p$ -value. The data set consists of 72 exceedances of flood peaks (in  $m^3/s$ ) of the Wheaton river near Carcross in Yukon Territory, Canada for the years 1958-1984. These data analyzed by Choulakian and Stephens (2001) are: 0.4, 0.7, 1.7, 1.1, 1.9, 1.1, 2.2, 2.2, 14.4, 20.6, 5.3, 12.0, 13.0, 9.3, 1.4, 18.7, 8.5, 22.9, 1.7, 0.1, 25.5, 2.5, 14.4, 1.7, 37.6, 0.6, 11.6, 14.1, 22.1, 39.0, 0.3, 15.0, 36.4, 2.7, 64.0, 1.5, 11.0, 7.3, 1.1, 0.6, 9.0, 1.7, 7.0, 14.1, 3.6, 5.6, 30.8, 13.3, 9.9, 10.4, 10.7, 20.1, 0.4, 2.8, 30.0, 4.2, 25.5, 3.4, 11.9, 21.5, 27.6, 2.5, 27.4, 1.0, 27.1, 5.3, 9.7, 20.2, 16.8, 27.5, 2.5, 27.0. For computational stability with fitting of the distributions, each observation is divided by 65, and hence the estimate of the parameter  $d$  is  $\hat{d} = 0.985$ .

The analyzed data are used to show the flexibility of the omega model as compared with some well-known distributions such as the modified Weibull (MW), transmuted complementary Weibull-geometric (TCWG), Lindley Weibull (LiW), power generalized Weibull (PGW), alpha power Weibull (APW), alpha power exponentiated-Weibull (APEW), exponentiated-Weibull (EW), extended odd Weibull exponential (EOWE), logarithmic transformed Weibull (LTW), and Weibull (W) distributions.

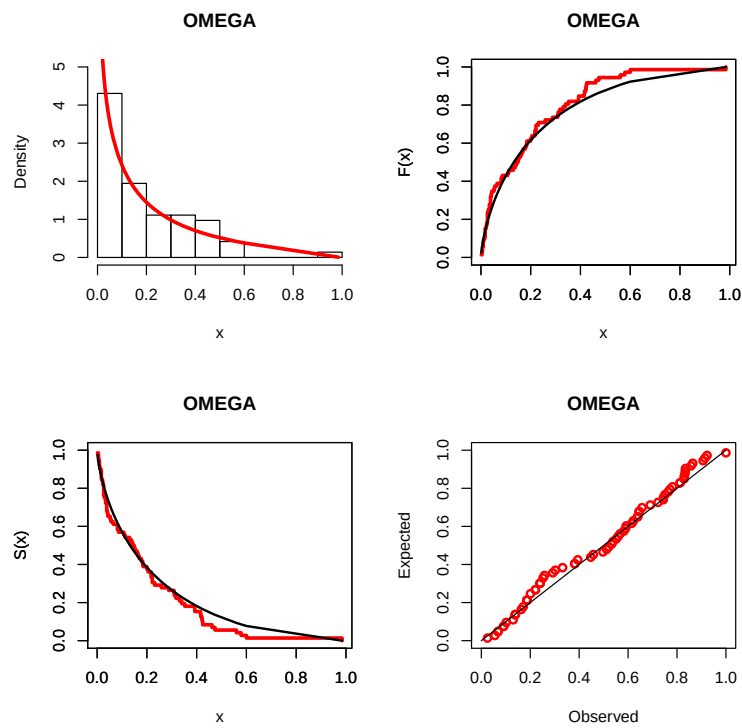
Table 8 reports parameter estimates using the ML method with their corresponding standard errors (SEs), K-S statistic (K-S (stat)) with its associated  $p$ -value (K-S ( $p$ -value)) for some models fitted to the current data. The figures in this table reveal that the omega model provides the closest fit to the current data as compared to other competing distributions.

The fitted  $pdf$ ,  $cdf$ , survival function, and probability-probability (PP) plots of the omega distribution are displayed in Figure 1. The PP plots of the omega model and other fitted models are depicted in Figure 2. The parameters of the omega distribution are estimated using several estimation methods as listed in Table 9. The PP plots of the omega model using different estimation methods are depicted in Figure 3.

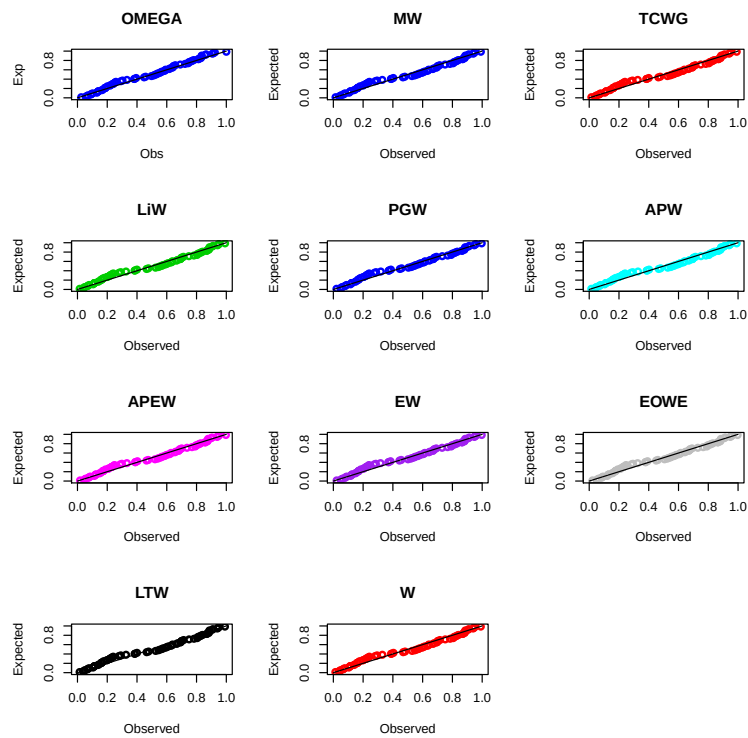


**Table 8.** Results from the fitted distributions to Wheaton river data.

| Distribution | Estimates                   | SEs        | K-S (stat) | K-S ( <i>p</i> -value) |
|--------------|-----------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|
| OMEGA        | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.0305765$  | 0.4824807  | 0.0889468  | 0.6191953              |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 0.7377699$   | 0.0810828  |            |                        |
| MW           | $\hat{\alpha} = 2.0878218$  | 6.2615708  | 0.1046855  | 0.4091079              |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 0.8120513$   | 0.4037047  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 2.6780859$ | 6.6030829  |            |                        |
| TCWG         | $\hat{\alpha} = 0.8679701$  | 0.8151071  | 0.1071177  | 0.3805323              |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 0.8762272$   | 0.1689987  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 0.0000006$ | 0.4452576  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\sigma} = 6.1091600$  | 3.3411493  |            |                        |
| LiW          | $\hat{\alpha} = 2.5936284$  | 5.7555398  | 0.1066129  | 0.3863592              |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 0.8705367$   | 0.1103413  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\theta} = 2.5365106$  | 4.2907423  |            |                        |
| PGW          | $\hat{\lambda} = 0.8141584$ | 1.7813975  | 0.1062762  | 0.3902766              |
|              | $\hat{\theta} = 0.7440689$  | 0.1473203  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.2245731$  | 5.5840937  |            |                        |
| APW          | $\hat{\alpha} = 1.1397937$  | 1.269151   | 0.1061151  | 0.3921589              |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 0.8894862$   | 0.132235   |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 4.7910660$ | 0.983672   |            |                        |
| APEW         | $\hat{\alpha} = 0.0426735$  | 0.0339949  | 0.09805297 | 0.4930507              |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 4.2287394$   | 0.3614408  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 2.5130669$ | 0.3860032  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\theta} = 0.1978522$  | 0.0289383  |            |                        |
| EW           | $\hat{\beta} = 1.3867142$   | 0.5896521  | 0.1073935  | 0.377372               |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 5.1557944$ | 1.2449955  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\theta} = 0.5185501$  | 0.3116688  |            |                        |
| EOWE         | $\hat{\alpha} = 0.7618609$  | 0.1200032  | 0.09914981 | 0.4786092              |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 0.4522144$   | 0.5052505  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 4.4213827$ | 1.4535656  |            |                        |
| LTW          | $\hat{\alpha} = 1.1506548$  | 0.9457565  | 0.1070967  | 0.380773               |
|              | $\hat{\beta} = 0.8764569$   | 0.1681637  |            |                        |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 4.8816417$ | 1.2212993  |            |                        |
| W            | $\hat{\beta} = 0.9011665$   | 0.08555716 | 0.1052065  | 0.402882               |
|              | $\hat{\lambda} = 4.7140919$ | 0.75473964 |            |                        |



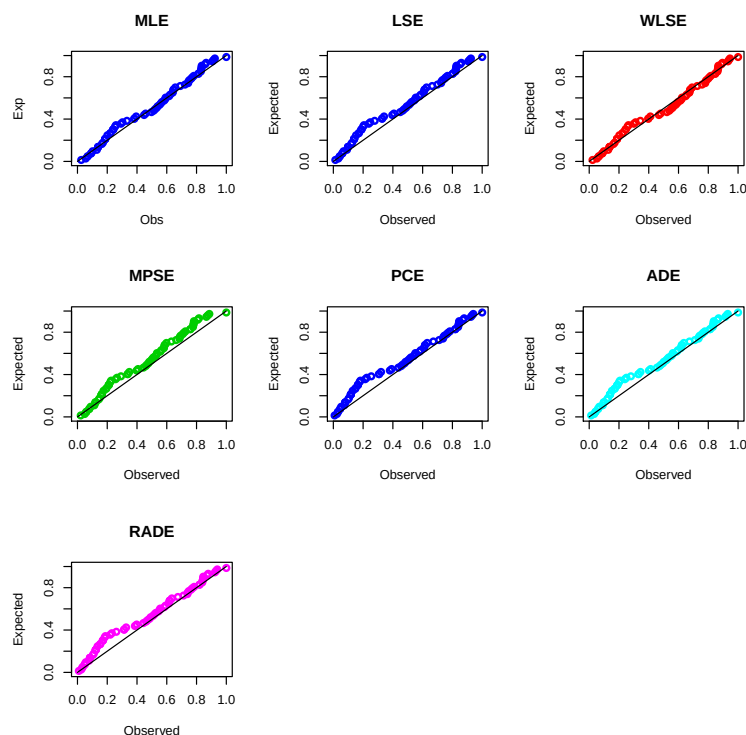
**Figure 1.** The fitted *pdf*, *cdf*, survival function, and PP plots of the omega distribution for Wheaton river data.



**Figure 2.** The PP plots of the fitted omega and other distributions to Wheaton river data.

**Table 9.** Estimates of the omega parameters, K-S (stat) with its associated  $p$ -value for Wheaton river data using all methods.

| Method | Estimates                                               | K-S (stat) | K-S ( $p$ -value) |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| MLE    | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.0305765$<br>$\hat{\beta} = 0.7377699$ | 0.0889468  | 0.6191953         |
| LSE    | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.319753$<br>$\hat{\beta} = 0.8492076$  | 0.07090078 | 0.9125179         |
| WLSE   | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.565044$<br>$\hat{\beta} = 0.7814565$  | 0.14252334 | 0.1719133         |
| MPSE   | $\hat{\alpha} = 2.554748$<br>$\hat{\beta} = 0.7323336$  | 0.11491242 | 0.3978472         |
| PCE    | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.880584$<br>$\hat{\beta} = 0.9426041$  | 0.07701275 | 0.8553612         |
| ADE    | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.473845$<br>$\hat{\beta} = 0.8618174$  | 0.07626228 | 0.8630764         |
| RADE   | $\hat{\alpha} = 3.817778$<br>$\hat{\beta} = 0.9260090$  | 0.07102754 | 0.9114741         |

**Figure 3.** The PP plots of the omega distribution for Wheaton river data based on seven methods of estimation.

## 7. Conclusion

The omega distribution was pioneered by Dombi *et al.* (2019) to model reliability data and its basic properties were studied by Okorie and Nadarajah (2019). In this paper, we obtain the moment properties from the order statistics viewpoint including explicit expressions for single moments, recurrence relations for single and product moments of order statistics of this distribution along

with L-moments, which may be useful to the practitioners. This will encourage researchers to do further works about the omega distribution, and also the order statistics. We present seven estimation methods, namely: maximum likelihood, maximum product of spacings, ordinary least-squares and weighted least-squares, percentiles, Anderson–Darling and right–tail Anderson–Darling, to determine estimates of the parameters of the omega distribution and provide a simulation study to illustrate the performance of the different estimators. Hence, based on our simulation study, we show that the maximum likelihood method gives consistent estimates of the omega parameters. An application to real data proves the flexibility of the omega distribution, which gives superior fit than ten other distributions.

It is worth mentioning that the research in this article can be extended in many ways. For example, exponentiated version of the omega distribution can be established, among other extensions, several properties of order statistics from the distribution can be explored and their relations to well-known stochastic orders, and a bivariate or multivariate omega distribution can also be proposed. Furthermore, the parameters of the omega distribution can be estimated using the Bayesian approach under different losses functions.

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