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# **Tests for the Shape Parameter of Family of Lifetime Distributions under Progressive Censoring**

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## **ABSTRACT**

This article presents method of constructing tests for the hypothesis on shape parameter  $\beta$  of the family of lifetime distributions under progressive censoring. We derive three test statistics  $Q_{(sd)}$ , F and  $Q_1$ . The performance of these statistics, in terms of power, is studied through simulation for different values of shape parameter of Gompertz distribution, Burr-XII distribution, bathtub distribution, and Weibull distribution. For these distributions, it is concluded that either a test  $Q_{(sd)}$ , or test  $Q_1$  performs better than test F in case of large samples whereas test F performs better than other tests  $Q_{(sd)}$  and  $Q_1$  in case of small samples when the shape parameter is not equal to the value under null hypothesis.

## **1. Introduction**

A two parameter family of lifetime distributions plays an important role in data analysis in the field of biostatistics, when the data are censored. Gompertz distribution, bathtub distribution, Weibull distribution and, Burr-XII distribution, are some of the distributions used to analyze lifetime data. The Weibull distribution is quite popular as a life testing model due to various shapes of the probability density function and has the advantage of having a closed form of cumulative distribution function. This model is quite flexible and has been used very effectively for analyzing lifetime data. The Gompertz distribution was introduced by Gompertz (1825). This distribution plays an important role in modeling human mortality and fitting actuarial tables. In the area of lifetime analysis, the two-parameter Burr-XII distribution with uni-modal failure rate function will be more appropriate when the failure factor of the product is fatigue or aging. The bathtub distribution was introduced by Chen (2000). This distribution is widely used to fit well to the real life data which have bathtub shaped.

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Censoring is very common in studies or experiments involving lifetime data since the experimenter may have to terminate the test before all items have failed due to time limit or economic reason. The two most common forms of censoring schemes are type-I and type-II. In type-I censoring scheme, the experimental time is fixed, but the number of observed failures is a random variable. In type-II censoring scheme, the number of observed failures is fixed, but the experimental time is a random variable. The advantage of such a scheme over type-I censoring is that one knows exactly how many failures will be observed ahead of time; however, the time to test possibly unbounded, and could be on average much larger than in type-I censoring. Under type-II right censoring scheme n units are placed on test at time zero, experiment is terminated after first  $m \leq n$  failure items are observed. Principal advantage of such censoring is that it may take much less time for the first m failures of n item to occur as compared to observing failure of all n items.

Among the different censoring schemes, the progressive censoring scheme has received considerable attention in the last few years. Under this scheme n units are placed on test at time zero, the test is continued till m failures are observed. When the first failure is observed,  $r_1$  of the surviving units are randomly selected and removed. At the second observed failure,  $r_2$  of the surviving units are randomly selected and removed. This experiment terminates at the time when the m<sup>th</sup> failure is observed and the remaining  $r_m = (n - m - \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} r_i)$  surviving units are all removed. Balakrishnan (2007) provided details on progressive censoring scheme and on its different applications. For some of earlier research under progressive censored data, we refer to Balakrishnan and Aggarwala (2000), Balakrishnan et al. (2001), and Balakrishnan and Cramer (2008). Shanubhogue and Muralidharan (2004) have obtained conditional test for shape parameter of Weibull distribution based on quadratic form under type-II censored scheme. The paper does not consider hypotheses testing problem in the case of progressively type-II censoring scheme because of the complexity of finding distribution of test statistic obtained. In this article we propose a computationally simple method of constructing tests for testing shape parameter of family of lifetime distributions as  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$  using progressive type-II censored sample.

In this work, we derived conditional joint distribution of generalized spacings  $Z_1, Z_2, \ldots, Z_m$  given their sum T = t, using joint distribution of progressive type-II censored sample from the family of distributions. We suggest a test based on a quadratic form constructed using conditional means and covariances. To arrive at an unconditional setup we modify the statistic Q by replacing t by T. Further, we constructed two more test statistics F and  $Q_1$ , and the performances of these are compared based on simulated powers.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we introduce a new model of family of distributions and shows that few distributions already proposed in the literature are members of the family. Section 3 presents derivations of the test statistics and test procedure. Simulation studies for testing shape parameter of the family of distributions are done, simulated cut-off points and the powers of the tests are discussed in Section 4. The last section deals with conclusions regarding the usefulness of the tests.

#### **2. Model**

In this section, we introduce new model for family of lifetime distributions and shown that few distributions already proposed in the literature are members of the family. Let Y be a random variable having distribution belonging to a family of distributions. The probability distribution function (pdf) and cumulative distribution function (cdf) of family of distributions is as

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \frac{a(x, \beta)[h(\theta)]^{d(x, \beta)}}{g(\theta)}; \ x > 0, \theta, \beta > 0
$$

$$
F(x; \theta, \beta) = \left\{1 - [h(\theta)]^{d(x, \beta)}\right\} \tag{2.1}
$$

where,  $g(\theta) = \int_0^{\infty} a$  $\int_0^{\infty} a(x,\beta)[h(\theta)]^{d(x,\beta)} dx$ , and  $a(x,\beta)$  is the derivative of

 $d(x, \beta)$ . Some of the members of the above family are listed as below.

#### **Case I: Gompertz Distribution**

Consider  $a(x, \beta) = e^{\beta x}$ ,  $d(x, \beta) = \frac{e^{\beta x}}{\beta}$  $\frac{a^{x}-1}{\beta}$ ,  $h(\theta) = e^{-\theta}$  and  $g(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}$  $\frac{1}{\theta}$ , then the

density function can be written as,

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta \ e^{\beta x} \ e^{-\frac{\theta}{\beta}(e^{\beta x} - 1)}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0
$$

The cdf is

$$
F(x; \theta, \beta) = [1 - e^{-\frac{\theta}{\beta}(e^{\beta x} - 1)}]
$$
\n(2.2)

These are the pdf and cdf of two parameter Gompertz distribution. Here,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$ are shape and scale parameters respectively. When  $\beta = 0$ , Gompertz distribution reduces to exponential distribution. Hence, test for β is of interest.

## **Case II: Burr-XII Distribution**

For 
$$
a(x, \beta) = \frac{\beta x^{\beta - 1}}{1 + x^{\beta}}
$$
,  $d(x, \beta) = \log[1 + x^{\beta}], h(\theta) = e^{-\theta}$  and  $g(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}$  then

the density function can be written as,

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \frac{\theta \beta x^{\beta - 1}}{[1 + x^{\beta}]} e^{-\theta \{\log[1 + x^{\beta}]\}}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0
$$

The above density function can be simplified as,

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta \beta x^{\beta - 1} \left[ 1 + x^{\beta} \right]^{-(\theta + 1)}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0
$$

The cdf is

$$
F(x; \theta, \beta) = [1 - (1 + x^{\beta})^{-\theta}]
$$
\n(2.3)

These are the pdf and cdf of two parameter Burr-XII distribution. Here,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$ are shape and scale parameters respectively. When  $\beta = 1$ , Burr-XII distribution reduces to Pareto distribution. Hence, test for β is of interest.

#### **Case III: Weibull Distribution**

For  $a(x, \beta) = \beta x^{\beta - 1}$ ,  $d(x, \beta) = x^{\beta}$ ,  $h(\theta) = e^{-\theta}$  and  $g(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}$  $\frac{1}{\theta}$ , then the density function can be written as,

 $f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta \beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-\theta x^{\beta}};$ 

The cdf is

$$
F(x; \theta, \beta) = (1 - e^{-\theta x^{\beta}})
$$
\n(2.4)

These are the pdf and cdf of two parameter Weibull distribution. Here,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$  are shape and scale parameters respectively. For  $\beta = 1$  Weibull distribution reduces to exponential distribution. Hence, test for β is of interest.

#### **Case IV: Bathtub Distribution**

If  $a(x, \beta) = \beta e^{x^{\beta}} x^{\beta - 1}$ ,  $d(x, \beta) = e^{x^{\beta}} - 1$ ,  $h(\theta) = e^{-\theta}$  and  $g(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}$  $\frac{1}{\theta}$ , then

the density function can be written as,

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta \beta e^{x^{\beta}} x^{\beta - 1} e^{-\theta (e^{x^{\beta}} - 1)}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0
$$

and the cdf is

$$
F(x; \theta, \beta) = (1 - e^{-\theta (e^{x^{\beta}} - 1)})
$$
\n(2.5)

These are the pdf and cdf of two parameter bathtub distribution. Here,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$  are shape and scale parameters respectively.

#### **3. Derivation of the test**

In this section we derive the test statistics using progressive type-II censored sample. Let  $(X_1, r_1), (X_2, r_2), ..., (X_m, r_m)$ , where  $X_1 < X_2 < ... < X_m$  and m denote a progressive type-II censored sample based on *n* experimental units

whose life times follow the generalised inverted family of distributions as given in (2.1), With pre-determined number of removals, say,  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$ , ...,  $r_m$  the joint probability density function for  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ , ...,  $X_m$ ,  $m \leq n$  is given by( see Cohen, A.C. (1963))

$$
f_{\underline{x}}(\underline{x}; \theta) = C \prod_{i=1}^{m} f(x_i; \theta) [1 - F(x_i, \theta)]^{r_i}
$$
  
\n
$$
f_{\underline{x}}(\underline{x}; \theta, \beta) = C \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{m} a(x_i; \beta) [h(\theta)]^{[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i)d(x_i; \beta)]}}{[g(\theta)]^m}, \ m \le n, \ x > 0, \theta, \beta > 0 \quad (3.1)
$$
  
\nwhere,  $C = n (n - r_1 - 1)(n - r_1 - r_2 - 2) \dots (n - r_1 - r_2 \dots - r_{m-1} - m + 1), 0 \le r_i \le (n - m - r_1 - r_2 \dots - r_{i-1}), \ i = 1, 2, \dots, m \text{ and } a(x, \beta) \text{ is the derivative of}$   
\n $d(x, \beta).$ 

Let  $Y_i = d(x_i, \beta)$ , where  $\beta > 0$  is known and  $Y_1 < Y_2 < \cdots < Y_m$ . Making the transformation,

$$
Z_{i} = (n-i+1-r_{1}-r_{2} \dots -r_{i-1})[Y_{i}-Y_{i-1}], \quad i = 1,2,3, \dots, m
$$
 (3.2)

The Jacobean of transformation is

$$
|J| = \frac{1}{n(n - r_1 - 1)(n - r_1 - r_2 - 2) \dots (n - r_1 - r_2 \dots - r_{m-1} - m + 1) \prod_{i=1}^{m} a(x_i, \beta)}
$$
  
where  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_1) d(x, \beta)$ . Hence from (2.1) the joint distribution

We have =  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) d(x_i, \beta)$ . Hence from (3.1) the joint distribution of  $Z_i$ 's is

$$
f_{Z}(z;\theta) = \frac{[h(\theta)]^{\sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i}}{[g(\theta)]^m}
$$
  
= 
$$
\prod_{i=1}^{m} \frac{[h(\theta)]^{Z_i}}{g(\theta)}
$$
 (3.3)

This proves that generalized spacings  $Z_1$ ,  $Z_2$ , ...,  $Z_m$  are i.i.d. random variables. Let  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) d(x_i, \beta)$ . Then the joint pdf of  $(Z_1, Z_2, ..., Z_{m-1}, T)$  is obtained as

$$
f(z_1, z_2, ..., z_{m-1}, t; \theta) = \frac{[h(\theta)]^t}{[g(\theta)]^m} ; \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} z_i < t < \infty, z_i > 0, i = 1, 2, ..., m-1
$$
\n(3.4)

Integrating out other variables, we obtain the joint distribution of  $(Z_i, T)$  as

$$
f_{Z_i,T}(z_i,t;\theta) = \frac{[h(\theta)]^t}{[g(\theta)]^m (m-2)!} (t-z_i)^{m-2}; \ 0 < z_i < t < \infty,\tag{3.5}
$$

Similarly, the joint distribution of  $(Z_i, Z_j, T)$  is

$$
f_{Z_i, Z_j, T}(z_i, z_j, t; \theta) = \frac{[h(\theta)]^t}{[g(\theta)]^m (m-3)!} (t - z_i - z_j)^{m-3}; \ 0 < z_i + z_j < t < \infty. \tag{3.6}
$$

and the marginal pdf of T is

$$
f_T(t; \theta) = \frac{[h(\theta)]^t}{[g(\theta)]^m (m-1)!} t^{m-1}; \quad t > 0,
$$
\n(3.7)

Now, from (3.4) and (3.7), the conditional pdf of  $Z_1, Z_2, ..., Z_{m-1}$  given T = t is obtained as

$$
f_{Z|T}(\underline{z}|t) = \frac{(m-1)!}{t^{m-1}}; \ 0 < z_1 \le z_2 \le \dots \le z_{m-1} < t \tag{3.8}
$$

It is seen that this conditional density does not depend on the nuisance parameter  $\theta$ . Thus  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) d(x_i, \beta)$  is the sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . To develop test for the parameter of interest  $\beta$  in the presence of nuisance parameter  $\theta$ , we construct a quadratic form using the conditional distribution (3.8) as

$$
Q = (\underline{Z} - \underline{\mu})' \Sigma^{-1} (\underline{Z} - \underline{\mu})
$$
\n(3.9)

where,  $Z' = (Z_1, Z_2, ..., Z_{m-1}), \mu' = (\mu_1, \mu_2, ..., \mu_{m-1}); \mu_i = E(Z_i | T = t)$  and  $\Sigma = ((\sigma_{ij}))$  is the variance-covariance matrix of (  $\underline{Z}|T = t$ ). We have the conditional distributions as

$$
f_{Z_i|T}(z_i|t) = \frac{(m-1)}{t} \left(1 - \frac{z_i}{t}\right)^{m-2}; \ 0 < z_i < t \tag{3.10}
$$

and 
$$
f_{Z_i, Z_j|T}(z_i, z_j|t) = \frac{(m-1)(m-2)}{t^2} \left(1 - \frac{z_i}{t} - \frac{z_j}{t}\right)^{m-3}; 0 < z_i + z_j < t.
$$
 (3.11)

Using above distributions, we have,  $E(Z_i | T = t) = \frac{t}{n}$  $\frac{t}{m}$ , E(Z<sub>i</sub>, Z<sub>j</sub>|T = t) =  $\frac{t^2}{m(m)}$  $\frac{1}{m(m+1)}$ ,

$$
E(Z_i^2 | T = t) = \frac{2t^2}{m(m+1)}, E(Z_i^4 | T = t) = \frac{24t^4}{m(m+1)(m+2)(m+3)}
$$
 and  

$$
E(Z_i^2, Z_j^2 | T = t) = \frac{4t^4}{m(m+1)(m+2)(m+3)}
$$
(3.12)

Therefore, we have  $\mu = E(\underline{Z}|T = t) = \frac{t}{n}$  $\frac{1}{m}E_{m-1}$  and the conditional covariances are as  $t^2($  $\frac{t^2(m-1)}{m^2(m+1)}$ ,  $\sigma_{ij} = -\frac{t^2}{m^2(m+1)}$  $\frac{c}{m^2(m+1)}$  and the variance-covariance matrix of  $(\underline{Z}|T = t)$  is

$$
\sum_{m} = \frac{t^2}{m(m+1)} \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) & -\frac{1}{m} & -\frac{1}{m} & -\frac{1}{m} \\ -\frac{1}{m} & \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) & -\frac{1}{m} & \cdots & -\frac{1}{m} \\ -\frac{1}{m} & -\frac{1}{m} & \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) & -\frac{1}{m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\frac{1}{m} & -\frac{1}{m} & -\frac{1}{m} & \cdots & \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
= \frac{t^2}{m(m+1)} \left[ I_{m-1} - \frac{E_{(m-1),(m-1)}}{m} \right]
$$

and  $\Sigma^{-1} = \frac{m}{n}$  $^{-1} = \frac{m(m+1)}{t^2} \left[ I_{m-1} + E_{(m-1),(m-1)} \right]$ 

Substituting the values of  $\mu$  and  $\sum^{-1}$  in the expression for Q we get,

$$
Q = (\underline{Z} - \underline{\mu})' \sum^{-1} (\underline{Z} - \underline{\mu})
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{m(m+1)}{t^2} \Big( \underline{Z} - \frac{t}{m} E_{m-1} \Big)' (I_{m-1} + E_{(m-1),(m-1)}) \Big( \underline{Z} - \frac{t}{m} E_{m-1} \Big)
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{m(m+1)}{t^2} \Big[ \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \Big( Z_i - \frac{t}{m} \Big)^2 + \Big( Z_m - \frac{t}{m} \Big)^2 \Big]
$$
  
= 
$$
m(m+1) \Big[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i^2}{t^2} - \frac{1}{m} \Big]
$$
(3.13)

To arrive at an unconditional setup we modify the statistic Q by replacing t by T. Thus the statistic Q in terms of type-II progressive censored data is

$$
Q = m(m+1) \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i^2}{T^2} - \frac{1}{m} \right]
$$
  
=  $m(m+1) \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (n-i+1-r_1-r_2 \dots -r_{i-1})^2 [Y_i - Y_{i-1}]^2}{[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) Y_i]^2} - \frac{1}{m} \right]$ 

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$$
= m(m+1) \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (n-i+1-r_1 \dots -r_{i-1})^2 [d(X_i,\beta) - d(X_{i-1},\beta)]^2}{[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) d(X,\beta)]^2} - \frac{1}{m} \right]
$$

For the hypothesis of testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$  under  $H_0$ , on simplification, the statistic Q can written as

$$
Q = m(m+1) \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (n-i+1-r_1-r_2\ldots-r_{i-1})^2 [d(X_i,\beta_0) - d(X_{i-1},\beta_0)]^2}{[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) d(X_i,\beta_0)]^2} - \frac{1}{m} \right]
$$
(3.14)

The exact mean and variance of  $Q$  under  $H_0$  are

$$
E_{H_0}(Q) = m(m+1)E_{H_0}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2}{T^2} - \frac{1}{m}\right)
$$
  
=  $m(m+1)\left[EE\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2}{t^2} | T = t\right) - \frac{1}{m}\right]$  (3.15)

Using values from (3.12) and substituting it in the above expression, on simplification, the mean of  $Q$  under  $H_0$  is given by

$$
E_{H_0}(Q) = m - 1 \tag{3.16}
$$

Let  $V = \sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i^2$ , then variance of *Q* is

$$
Var_{H_0}(Q) = m^2(m+1)^2 Var_{H_0}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2}{T^2} - \frac{1}{m}\right)
$$
  
=  $m^2(m+1)^2 \left[E_{H_0}\left(\frac{V^2}{T^4}\right) - \left\{E_{H_0}\left(\frac{V}{T^2}\right)\right\}^2\right]$   
=  $m^2(m+1)^2 \left[EE\left(\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2 Z_j^2}{T^4}\middle| T = t\right)\right) - \left\{EE\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2}{T^2}\middle| T = t\right)\right\}^2\right]$ 

Using values from (3.12) and putting in the above expression, on simplification, the variance of  $Q$  under  $H_0$  is given by

$$
Var_{H_0}(Q) = \frac{4m^2(m-1)}{(m+2)(m+3)}
$$
(3.17)

Then the standardized statistic is given by  $Q_{(sd)} = \frac{Q_{H_0} - E_{H_0}(q)}{T}$  $|Var_{H_0}$ 

Substituting values from (3.16) and (3.17) in the expression for  $Q_{(sd)}$  and on simplification, we obtain the test statistics as,

$$
Q_{(sd)} = \sqrt{\frac{(m+2)(m+3)}{m-1} \left[ \frac{(m+1)\{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (n-i+1-r_1-r_2\ldots-r_{i-1})^2 [d(X_i,\beta_0) - d(X_{i-1},\beta_0)]^2\}}{2[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) d(X_i,\beta_0)]^2} - 1 \right]}
$$
(3.18)

## **Asymptotic null distribution of** *Q:*

Define  $W_i = (Z_i, Z_i^2)'$ , where  $Z_i = (n - i + 1 - r_1 - r_2 ... - r_{i-1})[d(x_i,$  $d(x_{i-1}, \beta_0)$ ,  $i = 2, 3, ..., m$ . It is noted that  $\{W_i, i = 1, 2, 3, ..., m\}$  are iid random vectors in view of the iid nature of  $Z_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, ...$ , m. We have  $\underline{V} = \begin{bmatrix} V \\ V \end{bmatrix}$  $\begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix}$  where,  $V_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i}{m}$  $\frac{z_i}{m}$  and  $V_2 = \sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2 / m$ . Now, applying Multivariate CLT, the asymptotic distribution of  $\sqrt{m}(\underline{V} - E(\underline{V}))$  is bivariate normal with zero mean and dispersion matrix  $D(\underline{V})$ . Also, we have  $E(\underline{V})$  =  $(\theta, 2\theta^2)$  and  $D(\underline{V}) = \begin{bmatrix} \theta^2 & 4\theta^3 \\ 4\theta^3 & 2\theta\theta^4 \end{bmatrix}$  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 40 \\ 4\theta^3 & 20\theta^4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then the asymptotic distribution of  $g(V_1, V_2) = V_2/V_1^2$  is normal with mean 2 and variance 4/m. Hence

$$
Q = (m+1)[V_2/V_1^2 - 1] \sim N(m+1, 4(m+1)^2/m)
$$
\n(3.19)

Here, we propose the two more test statistics by replacing  $\beta$  by the null hypothesis value  $\beta_0$ . For  $g(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}$  $\frac{1}{\theta}$  and  $h(\theta) = e^{-\theta}$ , the equation (3.1) can be written as

$$
f_{\underline{X}}(\underline{x};\theta,\beta) = C \theta^m \left[ \prod_{i=1}^m a(x_i,\beta) \right] e^{[-\theta \sum_{i=1}^m (1+r_i)d(x_i,\beta)]}, m \le n, x > 0, \theta, \beta > 0
$$

where,  $C = n(n - r_1 - 1)(n - r_1 - r_2 - 2)$  ...  $(n - r_1 - r_2 ... - r_{m-1} - m + 1)$ 

(3.20)

Here, we discuss method of finding MLE of  $\theta$ . The log-likelihood function is given by

$$
L = logC + mlog\theta + \sum_{i=1}^{m} loga(x_i, \beta) - \theta \sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) d(x_i, \beta).
$$

For known  $\beta$ , the MLE of  $\theta$  is the solution of  $\frac{dL}{d\theta} = \frac{m}{\theta}$  $\frac{m}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) d(x_i, \beta) = 0,$ which is given by

$$
\hat{\theta} = \frac{m}{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) d(x_i, \beta)}
$$
(3.21)

The second statistic is based on the ratio of two independently chi-square distributed variables. For known  $\beta$ ,  $\theta d(X_1, \beta) < \theta d(X_2, \beta) < \cdots < \theta d(X_m, \beta)$  is a sample from the i.i.d standard exponential distribution. Thomas and Wilson (1972) showed that if  $\theta d(X_1, \beta) < \theta d(X_2, \beta) < \cdots < \theta d(X_m, \beta)$  are ordered statistics from the standard exponential distribution then the generalized spacings  $Z_1, Z_2, ..., Z_m$ are i.i.d. standard exponential random variables where,  $Z_i = (n - i + 1 - r_1 - r_2 - \ldots - r_{i-1})[\theta d(X_i, \beta) - \theta d(X_{i-1}, \beta)]$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i = \theta \sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) d(X_i, \beta)$ . Using these generalized spacing's, we have  $U = 2[\sum_{i=2}^{m} Z_i] = 2[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i)\theta d(X_i, \beta) - n\theta d(X_1, \beta)]$  and V  $2n\theta d(X_1,\beta)$  are chi-square distributed with  $2(m-1)$  and 2 degrees of freedom respectively. Since U and V depends on two disjoint set of independent random variables, therefore the distributions of  $U$  and  $V$  are also independent. The corresponding statistics is

$$
F = F(\beta_0) = \frac{\frac{U}{2(m-1)}}{\frac{V}{2}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) d(X_i, \beta_0) - nd(X_1, \beta_0)}{n(m-1) d(X_1, \beta_0)}
$$
(3.22)

It can be seen that  $F(\beta_0)$  has F distribution with 2(m-1) and 2 degrees of freedom.

The third test statistic is proposed using a quadratic form constructed based on the dispersion matrix  $\Sigma$  of  $Z$ . Which is

$$
Q_1 = (\underline{Z} - \underline{\mu})' \Sigma^{-1} (\underline{Z} - \underline{\mu}) \tag{3.23}
$$

Here,  $\mu_i = E(Z_i) = 1$ ,  $\sigma_{ii} = var(Z_i) = 1$ ,  $\sigma_{ii} = cov(Z_i, Z_i) =$ 

and 
$$
\Sigma = I_m
$$
 Hence

$$
Q_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (Z_i - 1)^2
$$
  
=  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^{m} Z_i + m$   
=  $\theta^2 \sum_{i=1}^{m} \{(n - i + 1 - r_1 - r_2 \dots - r_{i-1}) [d(x_i, \beta) - d(x_{i-1}, \beta)]\}^2$   
-  $2\theta \left\{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) d(x_i, \beta)\right\} + m$ 

Replacing 
$$
\theta
$$
 by reciprocal of it's MLE using (3.21), the test statistic is as  
\n
$$
Q_1 = \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i)d(X_i,\beta_0)}{m}\right]^2 \left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} \{(n-i+1-r_1-r_2 \dots -r_{i-1})[d(X_i,\beta_0) - d(X_{i-1},\beta_0)]\}^2\right] - 2\frac{\left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i)d(X_i,\beta_0)\right]^2}{m} + m
$$
\n(3.24)

Suppose that we would like to test $H_0$ :  $\beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1$ :  $\beta \neq \beta_0$  with the level of significance *α.* Since we could not find the expression for mean of any of these statistics under alternative hypothesis we propose test procedure based on certain assumptions. Suppose for all values of  $\beta \neq \beta_0$ , the mean of statistics, say L, is increasing with  $\beta$  for  $\beta \neq \beta_0$ , then the critical region is in the upper tail and hence null hypothesis is rejected if  $L > L_{\alpha}$  (upper  $\alpha$ -thquantile). Suppose the value of statistics decreases (or increases) for  $\beta < \beta_0$  and increases otherwise (or decreases) for  $\beta > \beta_0$ . Then test procedure is to reject  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  in favour of  $H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$  if  $L < L_{\alpha/2}$  or  $L > L_{1-\alpha/2}$ . Here L is a typical statistics and  $L_{\gamma}$  is the  $\gamma$ thquantile of the distribution of L.

#### **4. Power Study for some well-known distributions**

#### **4.1 Tests for Shape Parameter of Gompertz Distribution**

Consider a ordered sample  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ , from the Gompertz distribution defined by the pdf

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta e^{\beta x} e^{-\frac{\theta}{\beta}(e^{\beta x} - 1)}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0
$$

where,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$  are shape and scale parameters respectively. Here, we are interested to test  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$  by treating  $\theta$  as nuisance parameter. Using  $d(X_i, \beta) = \frac{(e^{\beta}}{2})$  $\frac{Z^{n-1}}{\beta}$ given in (2.2),  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (x_i - x_i)$  $(e^{\beta}$  $\frac{(-1)}{\beta}$ is a complete sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . Hence the test statistic based on standardized version of the statistic Q under  $H_0$  is given by

$$
Q_{(sd)} = \sqrt{\frac{(m+2)(m+3)}{m-1}} \left[ \frac{(m+1)\{\sum_{i=1}^{m}(n-i+1-r_1-r_2....-r_{i-1})^2[\frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_{i-1}})}{\beta_0} - \frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_{i-1}}-1)}{\beta_0}]^2}{2[\sum_{i=1}^{m}(1+r_i)\frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_{i-1}})}{\beta_0}]^2} - 1 \right]
$$

Similarly, the other two test statistics under  $H_0$  are as

$$
F = F(\beta_0) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) \frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_i} - 1)}{\beta_0} - n \frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_1} - 1)}{\beta_0}}{n(m - 1) \frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_1} - 1)}{\beta_0}}
$$

and

$$
Q_1 = \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (1+r_i)\frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_{i-1}})}{\beta_0}}{m}\right]^2 \left[\sum_{i=1}^m \left\{ (n-i+1-r_1-r_2 \ldots -r_{i-1}) \left[\frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_{i-1}})}{\beta_0} - \frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_{i-1}}-1)}{\beta_0} \right] \right\}^2 \right] -
$$
  

$$
2\frac{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m (1+r_i)\frac{(e^{\beta_0 X_{i-1}})}{\beta_0} \right\}^2}{m} + m
$$

Suppose that we would like to test  $H_0: \beta = 1$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq 1$  with the level of significance  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Using the algorithm described in Balakrishnan and Sandhu (1995), we construct progressively type-II censored samples from Gompertz distribution with censoring proportion  $p = 0.1$ . The Tables 1 and 2 gives the direction of the test procedures and simulated cut-off points. The powers of test at 5% level of significance for different values of n and  $\beta$  is given in tables 3 and 4 respectively.



**Table 1**: Simulated means of the statistics for different values of  $\beta$  for  $p = 0.1$ .

n	<b>Test</b>	$1\%$	5%	95%	99%
20	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.4738$	$-1.2002$	1.8427	3.3046
	$Q_1$	5.3258	6.7093	90.0191	191.3381
30	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.5838$	$-1.2486$	1.8274	3.3463
	$Q_{1}$	9.0164	10.6718	102.9052	179.4333
40	$Q_{(sd)}$	-1.5984	$-1.2773$	1.8074	3.1959
	$Q_{1}$	13.2257	15.1679	118.2104	195.5479
50	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.6560$	$-1.3006$	1.8269	3.0983
	$Q_1$	17.3127	20.1142	127.5421	204.7737
60	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.6923$	$-1.3084$	1.8276	3.0453
	$Q_1$	21.7082	24.8927	145.2131	219.1663
80	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.7486$	$-1.3101$	1.7540	3.0129
	$Q_{1}$	31.1924	35.6043	164,7771	231.1849

**Table 2:** The percentage points of the distribution of Test statistics for  $p = 0.1$ .

The critical values  $F_{.025}(2(m-1), 2)$  and  $F_{.975}(2(m-1), 2)$  are used to compute power of test  $F$ .

**Table 3**: Power of Tests for  $\beta$  < 1 alternatives at  $\alpha$  = 0.05.

$\mathbf n$	Censoring proportion	Progressive sampling plan	<b>Tests</b>	$\beta = 0.3$	$\beta = 0.4$	$\beta = 0.6$	$\beta = 0.8$
20	0.1	$m=18$ and $r_9=1, r_{18}=1$	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.88	0.66	0.28	0.10
			$\mathbf{F}$	0.96	0.78	0.31	0.10
			$Q_{1}$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
	0.2	$m=16$ and $r_9=1, r_{16}=3$	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.86	0.64	0.29	0.09
			$\mathbf{F}$	0.93	0.76	0.30	0.09
			$Q_1$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
30	0.1	$m=27$ and $r_9=1, r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1$	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.96	0.80	0.36	0.11
			$\mathbf{F}$	0.99	0.86	0.35	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.2	$m=24$ and $r_9=1, r_{18}=1, r_{24}=4$	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.92	0.77	0.34	0.10
			$\mathbf{F}$	0.95	0.83	0.33	0.09
			$Q_1$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

40	0.1	$\overline{m=36}$ and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ , $r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1$	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.99	0.88	0.42	0.13
			$\mathbf F$	0.99	0.90	0.38	0.10
			$Q_{1}$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.2	m=32 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ ,	$Q_{\left(sd\right)}$	0.96	0.86	0.40	0.12
		$r_{27}=1, r_{32}=5$	$\mathbf F$	0.96	0.88	0.35	0.09
			$Q_{1}$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50	0.1	m=45 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ , $r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1$	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.93	0.49	0.13
			$\mathbf F$	0.99	0.93	0.40	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.2	m=40 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.90	0.47	0.12
		$r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1, r_{40}=6$	$\mathbf F$	0.98	0.89	0.38	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
60	0.1	m=54 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ , $r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1, r_{54}=1$	$Q_{\left(sd\right)}$	1.00	0.96	0.52	0.13
			$\mathbf{F}$	0.99	0.94	0.43	0.11
			$Q_{1}$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.2	m=48 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.93	0.50	0.12
		$r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1, r_{48}=7$	$\overline{F}$	0.99	0.91	0.41	0.11
			Q <sub>1</sub>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
80	0.1	m=72 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ , $r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1, r_{54}=1,$	$Q_{\left(sd\right)}$	1.00	0.99	0.63	0.17
		$r_{63}=1, r_{72}=1$	$\mathbf F$	1.00	0.97	0.47	0.11
			$Q_{1}$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.2	m=64 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1$ , $r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1, r_{54}=1,$	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.97	0.61	0.16
		$r_{63}=1, r_{64}=9$	$\mathbf F$	1.00	0.95	0.45	0.11
			$Q_1$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Table 4**: Power of Tests for  $\beta > 1$  alternatives at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .







#### **4.2 Tests for Shape Parameter of Weibull Distribution**

Consider a ordered sample  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$  from the Webuill distribution is defined by the pdf

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta \beta x^{\beta - 1} e^{-\theta x^{\beta}}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0
$$

where,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$  are the shape and scale parameters respectively. Here, we are interested to test  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against $H_1: H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$  by treating  $\theta$  as nuisance parameter. Using  $d(X_i, \beta) = x_i^{\beta}$  given in (2.4),  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (x_i^{\beta})$  $\frac{\beta}{i}$  is a complete sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . Hence the test statistic based on standardized version of the statistic Q is given by

$$
Q_{(sd)} = \sqrt{\frac{(m+2)(m+3)}{m-1} \left[ \frac{(m+1)\{\sum_{i=1}^{m}(n-i+1-r_1-r_2\ldots-r_{i-1})^2[X_i^{\beta_0}-X_{i-1}^{\beta_0} ]^2 \}}{2[\sum_{i=1}^{m}(1+r_i)X_i^{\beta_0}]^2} -1 \right]}
$$

Similarly, the other two test statistics under  $H_0$  are as

$$
F = F(\beta_0) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) X_i^{\beta_0} - n X_1^{\beta_0}}{n(m-1) X_1^{\beta_0}}
$$

and

$$
Q_1 = \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) X_i^{\beta_0}}{m} \right]^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left\{ (n-i+1-r_1-r_2 \dots -r_{i-1}) \left[ X_i^{\beta_0} - X_{i-1}^{\beta_0} \right] \right\}^2 \right] -
$$
  
2 $\frac{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i) X_i^{\beta_0} \right\}^2}{m} + m$ 

Suppose that we would like to test  $H_0: \beta = 1$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq 1$  with the level of significance  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Using the algorithm described in Balakrishnan and Sandhu (1995), we construct progressively type-II censored samples from Weibull

distribution with censoring proportion  $p = 0.1$ . The Tables 5 and 6 gives the direction of the test procedures and simulated cut-off points. The powers of tests at 5% level of significance for different values of n and  $\beta$  are given in Tables 7 and 8 respectively.

$\mathbf n$	Test	$\beta = 0.4$	$\beta = 0.6$	$\beta = 0.8$	$\beta=1$	$\beta$ =1.2	$\beta$ =1.4	$\beta=1.6$	$\beta=1.8$	$\beta=2$
20	$Q_{(sd)}$	5.20	1.69	0.40	0.01	0.05	0.33	0.78	1.33	1.95
	$Q_{1}$	36512.69	358.38	59.07	27.20	20.61	19.88	21.40	24.12	27.61
30	$Q_{(sd)}$	7.14	2.14	0.47	0.00	0.10	0.53	1.18	2.00	2.93
	$Q_{1}$	27185.49	383.05	71.34	35.47	28.65	29.16	32.82	38.38	45.33
40	$Q_{(sd)}$	8.92	2.53	0.53	0.01	0.18	0.75	1.61	2.69	3.93
	$Q_1$	31343.50	459.96	87.46	44.69	37.29	39.14	45.26	54.19	65.31
50	$Q_{(sd)}$	10.48	2.85	0.57	0.00	0.20	0.88	1.91	3.22	4.75
	$Q_1$	37387.20	537.68	103.00	53.38	45.32	48.46	57.04	69.43	84.94
60	$Q_{(sd)}$	11.99	3.14	0.60	$-0.01$	0.24	1.04	2.26	3.82	5.65
	$Q_{1}$	43507.24	623.71	119.65	62.49	53.75	58.35	69.75	86.12	106.72
80	$Q_{(sd)}$	15.08	3.81	0.74	0.00	0.31	1.29	2.81	4.78	7.15
	$Q_{1}$	49792.57	756.73	148.38	79.20	69.61	77.12	94.02	118.27	149.10

**Table 5**: Simulated means of the statistics for different values of *β* for p=0.1.







The critical values  $F_{.025}(2(m-1), 2)$  and  $F_{.975}(2(m-1), 2)$  are used to compute power of test  $F$ .





60	0.1	$m=54$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.99	0.64	0.15
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$ $r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1, r_{54}=1$	F	1.00	0.98	0.48	0.12
			$Q_1$	1.00	0.99	0.76	0.25
	0.2	m=48 and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.97	0.63	0.14
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$	F	1.00	0.96	0.46	0.12
		$r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1, r_{48}=7$	$Q_1$	1.00	0.97	0.74	0.24
80	0.1	$m=72$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	1.00	0.74	0.19
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$ $r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1,$	$\mathbf{F}$	1.00	0.99	0.53	0.13
		$r_{54}=1, r_{63}=1, r_{72}=1$	$Q_1$	1.00	1.00	0.84	0.31
	0.2	m=64 and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	1.00	0.71	0.18
		$r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1,$	F	1.00	0.97	0.52	0.13
		$r_{54}=1, r_{63}=1, r_{64}=9$	$Q_1$	1.00	1.00	0.82	0.30

**Table 8**: Power of Tests for  $\beta > 1$  alternatives at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .





## **4.3 Tests for Shape Parameter of Burr-XII distribution**

Consider a ordered sample  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  from the Burr-XII distribution is defined by the pdf.

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta \beta x^{\beta - 1} [1 + x^{\beta}]^{-(\theta + 1)}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0
$$

where,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$  are shape and scale parameters respectively. Here, we are interested for testing of  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$  by treating  $\theta$  as nuisance parameter. Using  $d(X_i, \beta) = \log \left[1 + x_i^{\beta}\right]$  given in (2.3),  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (x_i - x_i)^2$  $r_i$ ) log  $\left[1 + x_i^{\beta}\right]$  is a complete sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . Hence the test statistics

based on standardized version of the statistic Q under 
$$
H_0
$$
 is given by  
\n
$$
Q_{(sd)} = \sqrt{\frac{(m+2)(m+3)}{m-1}} \left[ \frac{(m+1)\{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (n-i+1-r_1-r_2....-r_{i-1})^2 [\log(1+X_i^{\beta_0}) - \log(1+X_{i-1}^{\beta_0})]^2]}{2[\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i)\log(1+X_i^{\beta_0})]^2} - 1 \right]
$$

Similarly, the other two test statistics under  $H_0$  are as

$$
F = F(\beta_0) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i) \log(1 + X_i^{\beta_0}) - n \log(1 + X_1^{\beta_0})}{n(m-1) \log(1 + X_1^{\beta_0})}
$$

and

$$
Q_{1} = \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_{i}) \log(1+X_{i}^{\beta_{0}})}{m}\right]^{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} \left\{(n-i+1-r_{1}-r_{2} \ldots-r_{i-1})\left[\log(1+X_{i}^{\beta_{0}}) - \log(1+X_{i-1}^{\beta_{0}})\right]\right\}^{2}\right] - 2 \frac{\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_{i}) \log(1+X_{i}^{\beta_{0}})\right\}^{2}}{m} + m
$$

Suppose that we would like to test  $H_0: \beta = 1$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq 1$  with the level of significance  $\alpha = 0.05$ . We construct progressively type-II censored samples from Burr-XII distribution with censoring proportion  $p = 0.1$ . The Tables 9 and 10 gives the direction of the test procedures and cut-off points. The powers of test for different values of n and  $\beta$  is given in Tables 11 and 12 respectively.





n	<b>Test</b>	$1\%$	5%	95%	99%
20	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.4738$	$-1.2002$	1.8427	3.3046
	$Q_1$	5.3258	6.7093	90.0191	191.3381
30	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.5838$	$-1.2486$	1.8274	3.3463
	$Q_{1}$	9.0164	10.6718	102.9052	179.4333
40	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.5984$	$-1.2773$	1.8074	3.1959
	$Q_{1}$	13.2257	15.1679	118.2104	195.5479
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	$Q_1$	17.3127	20.1142	127.5421	204.7737
60	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.6923$	$-1.3084$	1.8276	3.0453
	$Q_1$	21.7082	24.8927	145.2131	219.1663
80	$Q_{(sd)}$	$-1.7486$	$-1.3101$	1.7540	3.0129
	$Q_{1}$	31.1924	35.6043	164.7771	231.1849

**Table 10:** The percentage points of the distribution of Test statistics for  $p = 0.1$ .

The critical values  $F_{.025}(2(m-1), 2)$  and  $F_{.975}(2(m-1), 2)$  are used to compute power of test  $F$ .

		<b>EXAMPLE 11.</b> FOR $\alpha$ of FORGHOLD					
n	Censoring proportion	Progressive sampling plan	Tests	$\beta = 0.2$	$\beta = 0.4$	$\beta=0.6$	$\beta = 0.8$
20	0.1	$m=18$ and	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.79	0.49	0.23	0.10
		$r_9=1, r_{18}=1$	F	0.97	0.83	0.35	0.11
			$Q_1$	0.97	0.79	0.41	0.15
	0.2	$m=16$ and	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.77	0.48	0.22	0.09
		$r_9=1, r_{16}=3$	$\mathbf F$	0.95	0.81	0.34	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.96	0.78	0.40	0.14
30	0.1	$m=27$ and	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.88	0.58	0.27	0.10
		$r_9=1, r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1$	F	0.98	0.89	0.40	0.11
			$Q_1$	1.00	0.89	0.52	0.19
	0.2	$m=24$ and	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.86	0.57	0.26	0.10
		$r_9=1, r_{18}=1, r_{24}=4$	$\mathbf F$	0.96	0.87	0.39	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.99	0.87	0.51	0.18
40	0.1	$m=36$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.92	0.66	0.30	0.10
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1$	$\mathbf F$	0.98	0.92	0.43	0.11

**Table 11:** Power of Tests for  $\beta$  < 1 alternatives at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

			$Q_{1}$	1.00	0.94	0.60	0.21
	$\overline{0.2}$	$m=32$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.91	0.65	0.30	0.10
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{32}=5$	$\mathbf{F}$	0.97	0.91	0.41	0.10
			$Q_1$	1.00	0.93	0.57	0.20
50	0.1	m=45 and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.96	0.72	0.32	0.11
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$ $r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1$	$\mathbf{F}$	0.98	0.95	0.46	0.11
			$Q_1$	1.00	0.97	0.69	0.24
	0.2	$m=40$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.95	0.70	0.31	0.10
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$ $r_{36}=1, r_{40}=6$	F	0.97	0.91	0.45	0.11
			$Q_1$	1.00	0.96	0.67	0.23
60	0.1	$m=54$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.98	0.82	0.38	0.12
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$ $r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1, r_{54}=1$	$\mathbf F$	1.00	0.98	0.48	0.12
			$Q_1$	1.00	0.99	0.76	0.25
	0.2	m=48 and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.97	0.81	0.37	0.11
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$	$\mathbf{F}$	1.00	0.97	0.46	0.11
		$r_{36}=1, r_{48}=7, r_{48}=7$	$Q_1$	1.00	0.97	0.75	0.23
80	0.1	$m=72$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.87	0.43	0.13
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$ $r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1,$	${\bf F}$	1.00	0.98	0.53	0.13
		$r_{54}=1, r_{63}=1, r_{72}=1$	$Q_1$	1.00	1.00	0.83	0.30
	$\overline{0.2}$	m=64 and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.86	0.41	0.13
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1,$ $r_{36}=1, r_{45}=1,$	$\mathbf{F}$	1.00	0.96	0.52	0.13
		$r_{54}=1, r_{63}=1, r_{64}=9$	$Q_1$	1.00	1.00	0.81	0.29

**Table 12:** Power of Tests for  $\beta > 1$  alternatives at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .





## **4.4 Tests for Shape Parameter of bathtub Distribution**

Consider a ordered sample  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$  from the bathtub distribution defined by the pdf.

$$
f(x; \theta, \beta) = \theta \beta x^{\beta - 1} \big[ 1 + x^{\beta} \big]^{-(\theta + 1)}; \ x > 0, \ \theta, \beta > 0;
$$

where,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$  are shape and scale parameters respectively. Here, we are interested to test  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$  by treating  $\theta$  as a nuisance parameter. Using  $d(X_i, \beta) = (e^{X_i^{\beta}} - 1)$  given in (2.5),  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{m} (1 + r_i)(e^{X_i^{\beta}} - 1)$ 1) is a complete sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . Hence the test statistics based on standardized version of the statistic Q under  $H_0$  is given by  $Q_{(sd)} = \sqrt{\frac{6}{3}}$  $\frac{1}{2!(m+3)}\left[\frac{(m+1)\left[\sum_{i=1}^{m}(n-i+1-r_1-r_2+\cdots-r_{i-1})^2[e^{X_i^{\beta_0}}-e^{X_{i-1}^{\beta_0}}]\right]}{n! \sum_{i=1}^{m}(n+i+1) \left[\sum_{i=1}^{m}(n+i+1)\right]^2}\right]$  $2[\sum_{i=1}^{m}(1+r_i)(e^{X_i^{\beta_0}}-1)]^2$ 

Similarly, the other two test statistics under  $H_0$  are as

$$
F = F(\beta_0) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} (1+r_i)(e^{X_i^{\beta_0}} - 1) - n(e^{X_1^{\beta_0}} - 1)}{n(m-1)(e^{X_1^{\beta_0}} - 1)}
$$

$$
Q_1 = \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (1+r_i)(e^{X_i^{\beta_0}} - 1)}{m} \right]^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \left\{ (n-i+1-r_1-r_2 \dots -r_{i-1}) \left[ e^{X_i^{\beta_0}} - e^{X_{i-1}^{\beta_0}} \right] \right\}^2 \right] -
$$
  

$$
2 \frac{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m (1+r_i)(e^{X_i^{\beta_0}} - 1) \right\}^2}{m} + m
$$

Suppose that we would like to test  $H_0: \beta = 1$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq 1$  when  $\theta = 1$  with the level of significance  $\alpha = 0.05$ . We construct progressively type-II censored samples from bathtub distribution with censoring proportion  $p = 0.1$ . The Tables 13 and 14 gives the direction of the test procedures and cut-off points. The powers of test for different values of n and  $\beta$  is given in tables 15 and 16 respectively.

**Table 13:** Simulated means of the statistics for different values of  $\beta$  for  $p = 0.1$ .

n	Test	$\beta = 0.4$	$\beta = 0.6$	$\beta = 0.8$	$\beta=1$	$\beta$ =1.2	$\beta$ =1.4	$\beta$ =1.6	$\beta = 1.8$	$\beta = 2$
20	$Q_{(sd)}$	5.64	1.61	0.36	0.01	0.03	0.24	0.58	0.98	1.45
	Q <sub>1</sub>	4304373.08	153.72	36.47	27.20	28.70	34.67	43.85	55.78	70.24
30	$Q_{(sd)}$	8.84	2.14	0.43	0.00	0.07	0.40	0.89	1.49	2.16

	$Q_{1}$	804260.27	139.42	43.46	35.47	39.61	50.01	65.59	86.03	111.16
40	$Q_{(sd)}$	12.35	2.64	0.49	0.01	0.13	0.57	1.22	2.00	2.90
	$Q_1$	1412239.81	166.57	53.35	44.69	51.26	66.39	89.04	119.08	156.47
50	$Q_{(sd)}$	15.97	3.08	0.54	0.00	0.15	0.67	1.44	2.39	3.48
	$Q_1$	1829599.55	198.22	62.82	53.38	62.20	81.78	111.26	150.77	200.50
60	$Q_{(sd)}$	19.93	3.51	0.57	$-0.01$	0.18	0.80	1.70	2.82	4.13
	$Q_1$	2064955.51	232.50	73.09	62.49	73.58	97.93	134.89	184.92	248.54
80	$Q_{(sd)}$	28.69	4.45	0.71	0.00	0.24	0.99	2.11	3.52	5.18
	$Q_1$	2047504.59	279.86	90.89	79.20	94.80	128.26	179.51	249.87	340.68

**Table 14:** The percentage points of the distribution of Test statistics for  $p = 0.1$ .



The critical values  $F_{.025}(2(m-1), 2)$  and  $F_{.975}(2(m-1), 2)$  are used to compute power of test  $F$ .

n	Progressive Censoring	Progressive sampling plan	<b>Tests</b>	$\beta = 0.3$	$\beta = 0.4$	$\beta=0.6$	$\beta = 0.8$
20	0.1	$m=18$ and	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.90	0.74	0.32	0.11
		$r_9=1, r_{18}=1$	F	0.95	0.78	0.31	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.51	0.38	0.19	0.09
	0.2	$m=16$ and	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.85	0.69	0.30	0.10
		$r_9=1, r_{16}=3$	$_{\rm F}$	0.90	0.74	0.29	0.08
			$Q_1$	0.45	0.34	0.17	0.08
30	0.1	$m=27$ and	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.97	0.87	0.42	0.12
		$r_9=1, r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1$	${\bf F}$	0.99	0.86	0.35	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.68	0.51	0.23	0.09
	0.2	$m=24$ and $r_9=1, r_{18}=1, r_{24}=4$	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.93	0.84	0.38	0.10
			${\bf F}$	0.95	0.83	0.31	0.09
			$Q_1$	0.64	0.49	0.20	0.08
40	0.1	$m=36$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.99	0.94	0.50	0.13
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1$	${\bf F}$	0.99	0.90	0.38	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.77	0.61	0.27	0.09
	0.2	$m=32$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	0.96	0.93	0.47	0.12
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{32}=5$	${\rm F}$	0.95	0.86	0.35	0.09
			$Q_1$	0.74	0.58	0.24	0.08
50	0.1	$m=45$ and $r9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.97	0.57	0.14
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1,$ $r_{45}=1$	F	1.00	0.93	0.41	0.10
			$Q_{1}$	0.85	0.69	0.31	0.10
	$0.2\,$	$m=40$ and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1,$	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.94	0.55	0.12
		$r_{40} = 6$	F	0.98	0.90	0.39	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.82	0.67	0.30	0.09
60	$\overline{0.1}$	$m=54$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.99	0.62	0.14
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1,$ $r_{45}=1, r_{54}=1$	F	$1.00\,$	0.95	0.43	0.11
			$Q_1$	0.90	0.75	0.33	0.10
	0.2	$m=48$ and $r_9=1$ ,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.97	0.60	0.12
		$r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1,$ $r_{45}=1, r_{48}=7$	F	0.99	0.92	0.41	0.10
			$Q_1$	0.86	0.71	0.31	0.09

**Table 15**: Power of Tests for  $\beta$  < 1 alternatives at  $\alpha$  = 0.05.

80	0.1	$m=72$ and $r_9=1$ , $r_{18}=1, r_{27}=1, r_{36}=1,$	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	1.00	0.73	0.18
		$r_{45}=1, r_{54}=1, r_{63}=1,$	F	1.00	0.98	0.47	0.11
		$r_{72}=1$	$Q_1$	0.95	0.83	0.40	0.10
	0.2	m=64 and r <sub>9</sub> =1, r <sub>18</sub> =1, r <sub>27</sub> =1, r <sub>36</sub> =1, r <sub>45</sub> =1, r <sub>54</sub> =1, r <sub>63</sub> =1,	$Q_{(sd)}$	1.00	0.98	0.69	0.15
			F	1.00	0.94	0.44	0.09
		$r_{64} = 9$	$Q_1$	0.91	0.80	0.37	0.09

**Table 16:** Power of Tests for  $\beta > 1$  alternatives at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .





## **5. Conclusions**

From the simulated power study, it is observed that among the proposed tests  $Q_{(sd)}$ ,  $Q_1$  and F for testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta \neq \beta_0$ ,

- a) For testing shape parameter of Gompertz distribution, the tests  $Q_{(sd)}$ , and F performs well in identifying  $\beta < \beta_0$  alternatives whereas test  $Q_1$  performs better than other tests F and  $Q_{(sd)}$  in identifying  $\beta > \beta_0$  alternatives. Therefore the test  $Q_1$  is recommended for testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta > \beta_0$  and the tests  $Q_{(sd)}$  and F are recommended for testing  $H_0: \beta =$  $\beta_0$  against H<sub>1</sub>:  $\beta < \beta_0$  under progressively type-II censored sample.
- b) For testing shape parameter of Weibull distribution, the tests  $Q_{(sd)}$ , and F performs well in identifying  $\beta < \beta_0$  alternatives whereas test F performs better than other tests  $Q_{(sd)}$  and  $Q_1$  in identifying  $\beta > \beta_0$  alternative. Therefore the test  $Q_1$  is recommended for testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta > \beta_0$  and the tests  $Q_{(sd)}$  and F to be used for testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$ against  $H_1: \beta < \beta_0$  under progressively type-II censored sample.
- c) For testing shape parameter of Burr XII distribution, the tests  $Q_1$ , and F performs well in identifying  $\beta < \beta_0$  alternatives whereas test F performs better than other tests  $Q_{(sd)}$  and  $Q_1$  in identifying  $\beta > \beta_0$  alternatives in case of small sample and  $Q_{sd}$  performs well in case of large sample. Therefore the test F is recommended for testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta > \beta_0$  and the tests  $Q_1$  and F be used for testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta < \beta_0$  under progressively type-II censored sample.

d) For testing shape parameter of bathtub distribution, the tests  $Q_{(sd)}$ , and F performs well in identifying  $\beta < \beta_0$  alternatives whereas test F performs better than other tests  $Q_{(sd)}$  and  $Q_1$  in identifying  $\beta > \beta_0$  alternatives in case of small sample and tests  $Q_{(sd)}$ ,  $Q_1$  performs well in case of large sample. Therefore the test F is recommended for testing  $H_0: \beta = \beta_0$  against  $H_1: \beta >$  $\beta_0$  and the tests  $Q_{(sd)}$  and F be used for testing H<sub>0</sub>:  $\beta = \beta_0$  against H<sub>1</sub>:  $\beta$  <  $\beta_0$  under progressively type-II censored sample.

Thus, we recommend the test based on quadratic form i.e. test  $Q_{(sd)}$  and test  $Q_1$ over the test F in identifying either  $\beta > \beta_0$  or  $\beta < \beta_0$  alternatives for some member of the family of distributions.

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