



Gull Alpha Power of the Ampadu-Type: Properties and Applications

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Abstract

This paper introduces a new statistical distribution called Gull Alpha Power of the Ampadu Type (GAPA- G for short). The new distribution is inspired by the Gull Alpha Power of [1] and the Ampadu- G of [2]. Some properties with application are investigated.

1 Introduction

A random variable X is said to follow the Gull Alpha Power family of distributions if its CDF is given by

$$G(x; \alpha, \xi) = \frac{\alpha F(x; \xi)}{\alpha^F(x; \xi)} \quad [1]$$

where $\alpha > 1$, ξ is a vector of parameters in the baseline distribution, and $x \in \text{Supp}(F)$. Obviously, the PDF can be obtained by differentiating the CDF. On the other hand a random variable J is said to follow the Ampadu- G family of distributions if its CDF is given by

$$K(x; \lambda, \omega) = \frac{1 - e^{-\lambda G(x; \omega)^2}}{1 - e^{-\lambda}} \quad [2]$$

where $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, $x \in \text{Supp}(G)$, and ω is a vector of parameters in the baseline distribution. By a modification of Ampadu- G , this paper introduces a new kind of

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Gull Alpha Power distribution and studies some of its properties with applications. We should note that the studies generalizing the Alpha Power Transform [3] have appeared in the literature [4]-[16], for example.

2 Organization of Manuscript

This manuscript is organized as follows. In Section 3, the CDF and PDF of the new family is presented. A sub-model of the new family is discussed in Section 4, there the CDF, PDF, hazard function (HF), and survival function (SF) are visualized. In Section 5, we derive some mathematical properties of the new family, including quantile function, random number generation, r th non-central moments, and the Renyi entropy. In Section 6, the method of maximum likelihood in estimating model parameters are discussed. In Section 7, a Monte Carlo simulation study is carried out, it is shown that the method of maximum likelihood is adequate in estimating model parameters. In Section 8, we demonstrate usefulness of the new family to a data set coming from the material engineering sciences. Section 9, presents a characterization of the new family in terms of the hazard function. In Section 10, we propose some further research directions.

3 The New Family Defined

3.1 The CDF of the New Family

The CDF of GAPA- G is given by

$$F(x; \alpha, \xi) = \frac{(1 + e^{-\alpha})G(x; \xi)}{1 + e^{-\alpha G(x; \xi)}}$$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, G is a baseline CDF, $x \in \text{Supp}(G)$ and the support of ξ depends on the chosen baseline distribution.

3.2 The PDF of the New Family

The PDF of GAPA- G is given by

$$f(x; \alpha, \xi) = \frac{g(x; \xi) (e^\alpha + 1) e^{\alpha(G(x;\xi)-1)} (\alpha G(x; \xi) + e^{\alpha G(x;\xi)} + 1)}{(e^{\alpha G(x;\xi)} + 1)^2}$$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, G is a baseline CDF with PDF g , $x \in \text{Supp}(G, g)$ and the support of ξ depends on the chosen baseline distribution.

4 A Sub-Model of the New Family

The PDF of the sub-model is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &(x; a, b, c) \\ &= \frac{(e^c + 1) e^{c \left(\frac{1}{e^{\frac{a-x}{b}} + 1} - 1 \right) + \frac{a+x}{b}} \left(e^{a/b} \left(e^{e^{\frac{c}{e^{\frac{a-x}{b}} + 1}} + 1} \right) + e^{x/b} \left(e^{e^{\frac{c}{e^{\frac{a-x}{b}} + 1}} + c + 1} \right) \right)}{b (e^{a/b} + e^{x/b})^3 \left(e^{e^{\frac{c}{e^{\frac{a-x}{b}} + 1}} + 1} \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

and the CDF is given by

$$F(x; a, b, c) = \frac{e^{-c} + 1}{\left(e^{-\frac{x-a}{b}} + 1 \right) \left(e^{-\frac{c}{e^{-\frac{x-a}{b}} + 1}} + 1 \right)}$$

where $x, a, c \in \mathbb{R}$, and $b > 0$. We call the distribution with above PDF and CDF the Gull Alpha Power Ampadu-Logistic family. We write

$$J \sim GAPAL(a, b, c)$$

if J is a Gull Alpha Power Ampadu-Logistic random variable.

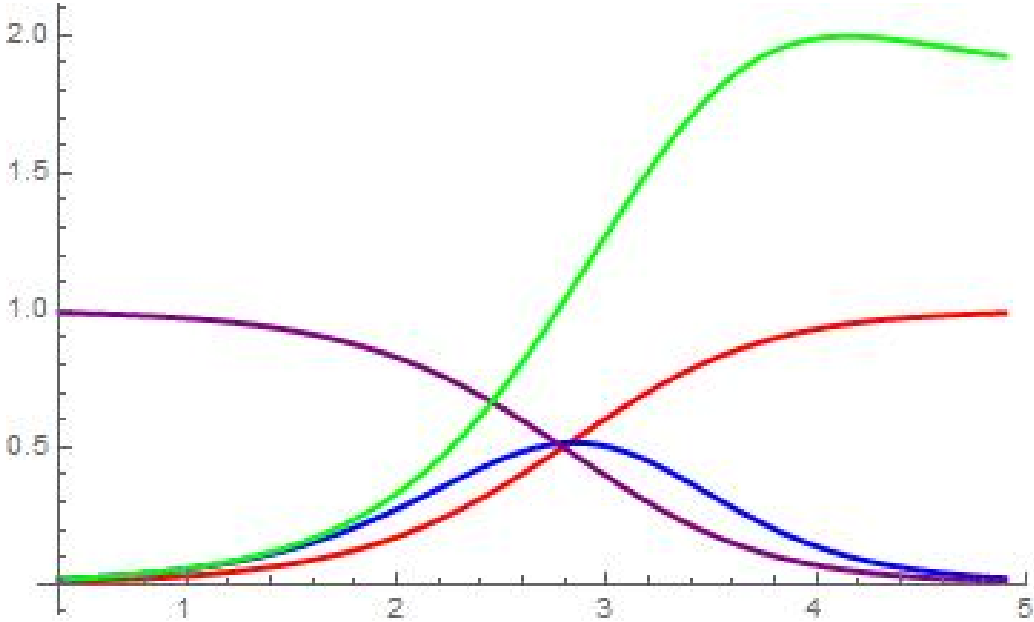


Figure 1: The CDF (red), PDF(blue), SF(purple), and HF (green) of GAPAL(3.2081,0.541169,-1.01248).

5 Some Mathematical Properties

5.1 Quantile Function

Theorem 5.1. *The quantile function of GAPA-G is given by*

$$Q(x) = G^{-1}\left(\frac{W\left(\frac{\alpha x e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha x}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)}{\alpha} + \frac{e^\alpha x}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)$$

where $W(z)$ gives the principal solution for w in $z = we^w, 0 < x < 1$, and G^{-1} is the quantile of the baseline distribution with CDF G .

Proof. Let $0 < x < 1$. We must solve the following equation for $Q(x)$

$$x = \frac{(1 + e^{-\alpha})G(Q(x))}{1 + e^{-\alpha G(Q(x))}}.$$

Let $y = G(Q(x))$, using computer software like MATHEMATICA one can show that solving for y in the following equation below

$$x = \frac{(1 + e^{-\alpha})y}{1 + e^{-\alpha y}}$$

yields

$$G(Q(x)) = \frac{W\left(\frac{\alpha x e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha x}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)}{\alpha} + \frac{e^\alpha x}{e^\alpha + 1}.$$

Thus

$$Q(x) = G^{-1}\left(\frac{W\left(\frac{\alpha x e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha x}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)}{\alpha} + \frac{e^\alpha x}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)$$

where $W(z)$ gives the principal solution for w in $z = we^w$. □

Table 1: Some Quantile Values

x	$Q(x)$ of GAPAL(0.5,0.3,-0.7)	$Q(x)$ of GAPAN(0.5,0.3,-0.7)
0.1	-0.2854443	0.0526973
0.2	-0.04575005	0.1752752
0.3	0.1119788	0.263527
0.4	0.2400855	0.3392247
0.5	0.3566874	0.4105542
0.6	0.4725202	0.4827822
0.7	0.5982301	0.5614392
0.8	0.7516267	0.6557718
0.9	0.9843711	0.7910821

5.2 Random Number Generation

Random numbers from GAPA-G can be obtained via

$$X = G^{-1} \left(\frac{W \left(\frac{\alpha U e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1} \right)}{\alpha} + \frac{e^\alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1} \right)$$

where $W(z)$ gives the principal solution for w in $z = we^w$, $U \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$, and G^{-1} is the quantile of the baseline distribution with CDF G .

5.3 r th Non-Central Moments

Theorem 5.2. *The r th non-central moments of GAPA-G can be expressed as*

$$\mu'_r = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^i \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^j \Omega_{i,k,n,j,m} E[U^{i-k+n+m}]$$

where $\Omega_{i,k,n,j,m}$ is defined as in the proof of the theorem, $U \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$, and $E[\cdot]$ denotes an expectation.

Proof. According to [17], we can write

$$Q_X(u) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} h_i u^i$$

where the coefficients are suitably chosen real numbers that depend on the parameters of the $G(x)$ distribution. For a power series raised to a positive integer $r \geq 1$, we have

$$(Q_X(u))^r = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} h_i u^i \right)^r = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \delta_{r,i} u^i$$

where $\delta_{r,i}$ are obtained from $\delta_{r,i} = (ih_0)^{-1} \sum_{s=1}^i [s(r+1) - i] h_s \delta_{r,i-s}$ with $\delta_{r,0} = h_0^r$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots$ [18]. Thus we have the following

$$\mu'_r = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \delta_{r,i} E \left[\left(\frac{W \left(\frac{\alpha U e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1} \right)}{\alpha} + \frac{e^\alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1} \right)^i \right]$$

where $E(\cdot)$ is an expectation. By the binomial theorem we can write

$$\left(\frac{W\left(\frac{\alpha U e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)}{\alpha} + \frac{e^\alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1} \right)^i$$

as

$$\sum_{k=0}^i \binom{i}{k} \left(\frac{e^\alpha}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)^{i-k} U^{i-k} \frac{W\left(\frac{\alpha U e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)^k}{\alpha^k}.$$

Using integer powers of the Lambert W function, we can write

$$W\left(\frac{\alpha U e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)^k$$

as

$$\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{-k(-n)^{n-k-1}}{(n-k)!} \left(\frac{\alpha U e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)^n.$$

By the power series representation for the exponential function, and the binomial theorem, we can write

$$\left(\frac{\alpha U e^{\alpha - \frac{e^\alpha \alpha U}{e^\alpha + 1}}}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)^n$$

as

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^j \binom{j}{m} \frac{\alpha^{n+j} U^{n+m} (-1)^m n^j e^{\alpha m}}{(e^\alpha + 1)^m}.$$

Put

$$\Omega_{i,k,n,j,m} = \delta_{r,i} \binom{i}{k} \left(\frac{e^\alpha}{e^\alpha + 1}\right)^{i-k} \frac{-k(-n)^{n-k-1}}{(n-k)!} \binom{j}{m} \frac{\alpha^{n+j} (-1)^m n^j e^{\alpha m}}{(e^\alpha + 1)^m}.$$

Thus

$$\mu'_r = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^i \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^j \Omega_{i,k,n,j,m} E[U^{i-k+n+m}].$$

□

Table 2: Some Ordinary Moments

r	$E(X^r)$ of GAPAL(0.5,0.3,-0.7)	$E(X^r)$ of GAPAN(0.5,0.3,-0.7)
1	0.3529384	0.4170033
2	0.40257	0.2579811
3	0.3339925	0.1806048
4	0.5525787	0.1449196
5	0.7012824	0.1270076
6	1.593864	0.1209279
7	2.758131	0.1229065
8	8.166354	0.1325113
9	8.166354	0.1503252

5.4 Renyi Entropy

Lemma 5.3. Let $f(x)$ denote the PDF of GAPA-G, then for $\delta > 0$, and $\delta \neq 1$, $f(x)^\delta$ can be expressed as

$$\sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^q \sum_{v=0}^{\delta} \sum_{l=0}^v \sum_{r,j=0}^{\infty} \Omega_{q,m,v,l,r,j} g(x)^\delta G(x)^{m+v-l+t+j}$$

where $\Omega_{q,m,v,l,r,j}$ is defined as in the proof of the Lemma, $g(x)$ and $G(x)$ are the PDF and CDF associated with the baseline distribution.

Proof. By the power series representation for the exponential function and the binomial theorem, we can write

$$e^{\alpha\delta(G(x)-1)} = \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^q \binom{q}{m} \frac{\alpha^q \delta^q (-1)^{q-m}}{q!} G(x)^m.$$

We can also write

$$(\alpha G(x) + e^{\alpha G(x)} + 1)^\delta = \sum_{v=0}^{\delta} \sum_{l=0}^v \binom{\delta}{v} \binom{v}{l} \frac{\alpha^{v-l+t} t!}{t!} G(x)^{v-l+t}.$$

On the other hand by the negative binomial series and the power series representation for the exponential function, we can write

$$(e^{\alpha G(x)} + 1)^{-2\delta} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^r (r\alpha)^j}{j!} \binom{2\delta + r - 1}{r} G(x)^j.$$

Put

$$\Omega_{q,m,v,l,r,j} = \binom{q}{m} \frac{\alpha^q \delta^q (-1)^{q-m}}{q!} \binom{\delta}{v} \binom{v}{l} \frac{\alpha^{v-l+t} t!}{t!} \frac{(-1)^r (r\alpha)^j}{j!} \binom{2\delta + r - 1}{r} (e^{\alpha+1})^\delta.$$

Thus,

$$f(x)^\delta = \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^q \sum_{v=0}^{\delta} \sum_{l=0}^v \sum_{r,j=0}^{\infty} \Omega_{q,m,v,l,r,j} g(x)^\delta G(x)^{m+v-l+t+j}$$

□

Let X be a random variable with PDF $f(x)$. By definition, the Renyi entropy [19] is defined as

$$I_R(\delta) = \frac{1}{1 - \delta} \text{Log} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f^\delta(x) dx \right)$$

where $\delta > 0$, and $\delta \neq 1$. From the above Lemma we have the following

Theorem 5.4. *The Renyi entropy of GAPA-G can be expressed as*

$$I_R(\delta) = \frac{1}{1 - \delta} \text{Log} \left(\sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^q \sum_{v=0}^{\delta} \sum_{l=0}^v \sum_{r,j=0}^{\infty} \Omega_{q,m,v,l,r,j} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)^\delta G(x)^{m+v-l+t+j} dx \right)$$

where $\delta > 0$, and $\delta \neq 1$, and $g(x)$ and $G(x)$ are the PDF and CDF associated with the baseline distribution, $\Omega_{q,m,v,l,r,j}$ is defined as in the proof of the previous Lemma.

For computational purposes if we let $u = F(x)$, then $du = f(x)dx$ and $x = F^{-1}(u)$, thus the Renyi entropy can be expressed as

$$I_R(\delta) = \frac{1}{1 - \delta} \log \left(\int_0^1 \left\{ f(F^{-1}(u)) \right\}^{\delta-1} du \right).$$

Table 3: Some Values of the Renyi Entropy

δ	$I_R(\delta)$ of GAPAL(0.5,0.3,-0.7)	$I_R(\delta)$ of GAPAN(0.5,0.3,-0.7)
2	0.5479701	0.01703235
3	0.4547242	-0.05900715
4	0.4002665	-0.104941
5	0.3638333	-0.1363022
6	0.3374348	-0.1593408
7	0.3172708	-0.1771166
8	0.3012786	-0.1913245
9	0.2882322	-0.2029872
10	0.2773527	-0.2127625

6 Parameter Estimation

The method of maximum likelihood is used in this paper to estimate model parameters. Here we discuss this method for the GAPA- G family of distributions. Suppose x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n is a random sample of size n from the GAPA- G family of distributions. It can be shown that the total log-likelihood function is given by

$$\ln L = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \ln(g(x; \xi)) + \ln((e^\alpha + 1)) + \ln(e^{\alpha(G(x;\xi)-1)}) \right. \\ \left. + \ln(\alpha G(x; \xi) + e^{\alpha G(x;\xi)} + 1) - \ln((e^{\alpha G(x;\xi)} + 1)^2) \right\}$$

where ξ is a vector of parameters associated with the baseline distribution, and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Partial differentiation of the total log-likelihood function with respect to model parameters gives the following as the score functions

$$\frac{\partial \ln L}{\partial \alpha} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ G(x; \xi) + \frac{G(x; \xi) + G(x; \xi)e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)}}{\alpha G(x; \xi) + e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)} + 1} + \frac{2G(x; \xi)e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)}}{e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)} + 1} \right\}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L}{\partial \xi} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{\frac{\partial g(x; \xi)}{\partial \xi}}{g(x; \xi)} + ag(x; \xi) + \frac{\alpha + \alpha e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)}}{1 + e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)} + \alpha G(x; \xi)}g(x; \xi) + \frac{2\alpha e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)}}{e^{\alpha G(x; \xi)} + 1}g(x; \xi) \right\}.$$

Equating the score functions to zero and numerically solving the system of equations using techniques such as the quasi Newton-Raphson method, gives the maximum likelihood estimates for the model parameters. Let $\Delta = (\alpha; \xi)$, for the purposes of constructing confidence intervals for the parameters in the GAPA-G family of distributions, the observed information matrix, call it $J(\Delta)$, can be used due to the complex nature of the expected information matrix. The observed information matrix is given by

$$J(\Delta) = - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial^2 \alpha} & \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \alpha \partial \xi} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \alpha \partial \xi} & \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial^2 \xi} \end{bmatrix}.$$

When the usual regularity conditions are satisfied and that the parameters are within the interior of the parameter space, but not on the boundary, the distribution of $\sqrt{n}(\widehat{\Delta} - \Delta)$ converges to the multivariate normal distribution $N_{p+1}(0, I^{-1}(\Delta))$, where $I(\Delta)$ is the expected information matrix, and it is assumed that $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_p)$. The asymptotic behavior remains valid when $I(\Delta)$ is replaced by the observed information matrix evaluated at $J(\widehat{\Delta})$. The asymptotic multivariate normal distribution $N_{p+1}(0, J^{-1}(\widehat{\Delta}))$ is a very useful tool for constructing an approximate $100(1 - \psi)\%$ two-sided confidence intervals for the model parameters, where ψ is the significance level.

7 Monte Carlo Simulation Study

In this section we show that the method of maximum likelihood is adequate in estimating the parameters in the GAPA- G distribution. For this, a Monte Carlo simulation study is carried out to assess the performance of the estimation method in the Gull Alpha Power Ampadu-Logistic(GAPAL) sub-model. Samples of sizes 200, 400, 500, and 700, are drawn from the GAPAL distribution, and the samples have been drawn for the following set of parameters

(a) Set I: $(a, b) = (0.3, 0.5)$ with fixed $c = 0.7$

(b) Set II: $(a, b) = (0.5, 0.3)$ with fixed $c = -0.7$

The maximum likelihood estimators for the parameters a and b are obtained. The procedure has been repeated 400 times, and the mean and standard deviation for the estimates are computed, and the results are summarized in Table 4-6 below for each of sets I, and II, respectively, considered above

Table 4: Result of Simulation Study for Set I

Parameter a		
Sample Size	Average Estimate	Standard Deviation
200	0.3005039	0.0637363
400	0.2980213	0.04496851
500	0.2962025	0.04042201
700	0.2972835	0.02988517
Parameter b		
Sample Size	Average Estimate	Standard Deviation
200	0.4977024	0.03006081
400	0.499002	0.01985341
500	0.4991902	0.01952368
700	0.5000881	0.01566091

From the table above, we find that the simulated estimates are close to the true values of the parameters and hence the estimation method is adequate. We have also observed that the estimated standard deviation consistently decrease with increasing sample size as can be seen by plotting the standard deviation against the sample size.

Table 5: Result of Simulation Study for Set II

Parameter a		
Sample Size	Average Estimate	Standard Deviation
200	0.4951149	0.03788335
400	0.4995736	0.02690994
500	0.498642	0.02249279
700	0.4966463	0.01937255
Parameter b		
Sample Size	Average Estimate	Standard Deviation
200	0.298307	0.01899545
400	0.2996662	0.01201761
500	0.2997458	0.01140064
700	0.2993985	0.009014662

From the table above, we find that the simulated estimates are close to the true values of the parameters and hence the estimation method is adequate. We have also observed that the estimated standard deviation consistently decrease with increasing sample size as can be seen by plotting the standard deviation against the sample size.

Overall the simulation study conducted, indicated that using the method of maximum likelihood in estimating model parameters is adequate.

8 Applications

Here we demonstrate usefulness of the new family to the breaking stress of carbon fibers data, Table 2 [20]. The PDF's and CDF's of the first submodel that we consider is already given in Section 4. The second submodel has PDF given by

$$g(x, a, b, c) = \frac{(e^c + 1) \left(\operatorname{cerfc} \left(\frac{a-x}{\sqrt{2b}} \right) + 2e^{\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{cerfc} \left(\frac{a-x}{\sqrt{2b}} \right)} + 2 \right) \exp \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{(a-x)^2}{b^2} + \operatorname{cerfc} \left(\frac{a-x}{\sqrt{2b}} \right) - 2c \right) \right)}{2\sqrt{2\pi}b \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{cerfc} \left(\frac{a-x}{\sqrt{2b}} \right)} + 1 \right)^2}$$

and CDF given by

$$G(x; a, b, c) = \frac{(e^{-c} + 1) \operatorname{erfc} \left(\frac{a-x}{\sqrt{2b}} \right)}{2 \left(e^{-\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{cerfc} \left(\frac{a-x}{\sqrt{2b}} \right)} + 1 \right)}$$

where $x, a, c \in \mathbb{R}$, $b > 0$, and **erfc** gives the complementary error function. We call the distribution with the above PDF and CDF the Gull Alpha Power Ampadu-Normal family. We write

$$JK \sim \text{GAPAN}(a, b, c)$$

if JK is a Gull Alpha Power Ampadu-Normal random variable.

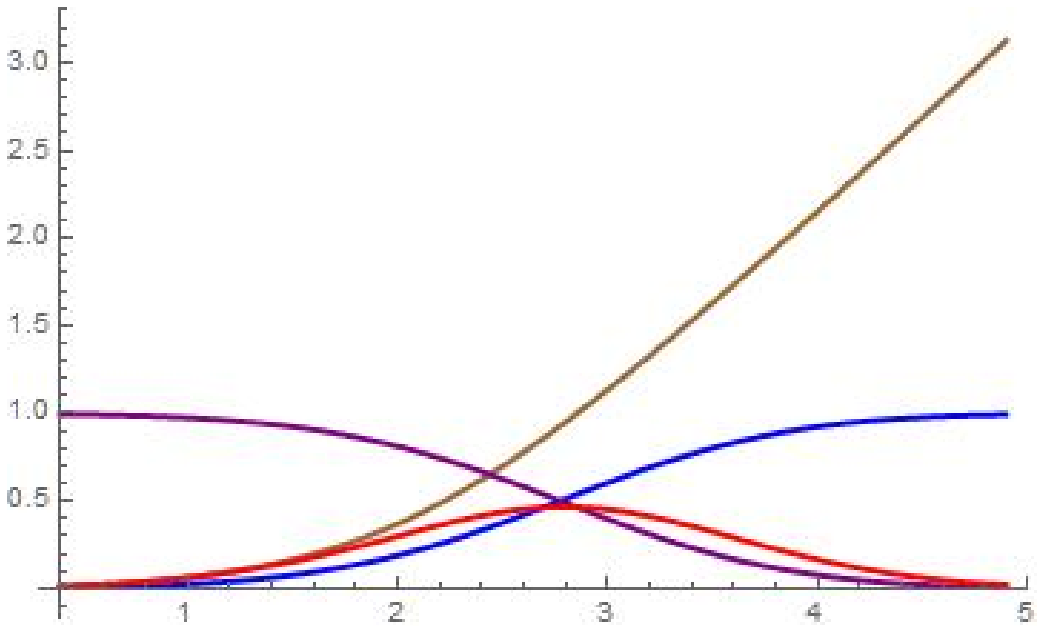


Figure 2: The CDF (blue), PDF(red), SF(purple), and HF (brown) of GAPAN(2.59065, 0.91193,1.46801).

Using the R software, we report below in Table 3, the estimates for the parameters in each of the two distributions alongside their standard errors.

Table 6: Estimates for the parameter of fitted distribution (c fixed as in the simulations)

Distribution	Parameters	Estimates	Standard error
GAPAL (with c fixed at -1.01248)	\hat{a}	3.2080931	0.10914232
	\hat{b}	0.541204	0.05741692
GAPAN (with c fixed at 1.46801)	\hat{a}	2.590757	0.10990048
	\hat{b}	0.911905	0.08158458

The fitted CDF's to the carbon fibers data using the above table are shown below

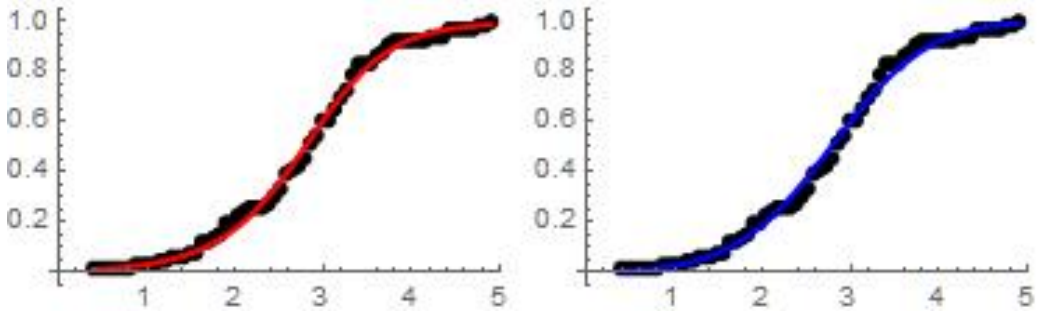


Figure 3: GAPAL (red), and GAPAN(blue) fitted to the empirical distribution of Table 2 [20].

and the fitted PDF's are shown below

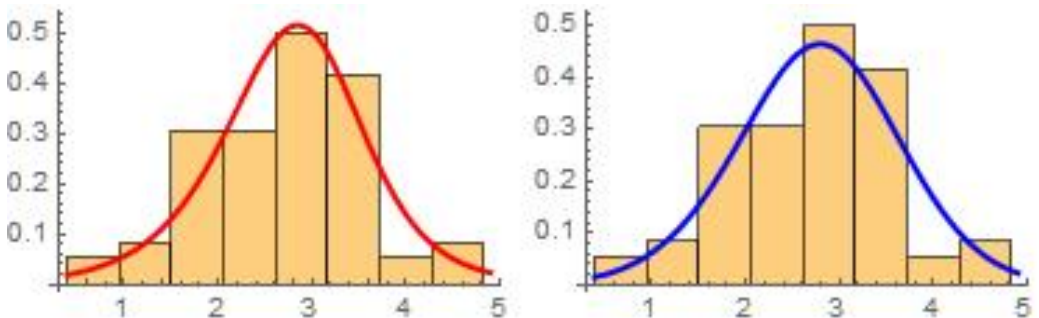


Figure 4: GAPAL (red), and GAPAN(blue) fitted to the histogram of Table 2 [20].

The measures of goodness of fit we consider include Bayesian information criterion (BIC), negative Log-Likelihood, Cramer von-Misses (W), Anderson Darling (A), KS (Kolmogorov Smirnov), AIC (Akaike's Information Criterion), CAIC (Consistent Akaike's Information Criterion), and HQIC (Hannan-Quinn information criterion), and they are reported in Table 4 below. Whilst it appears from the fits above, that all the distributions are competitive in fitting the breaking

stress of carbon fibers data, Table 4 reveals that the GAPAL distribution is most compatible with this data set, and hence can be considered the best in this instance.

Table 7: Goodness of fit measures

	GAPAL	GAPAN
W	0.03062323	0.06657812
A	0.2411352	0.3782608
KS statistic	0.30768	0.067507
KS p-value	7.485e-06	0.9244
AIC	174.4603	174.6588
CAIC	174.6508	174.8492
BIC	178.8396	179.0381
HQIC	176.1908	176.3892
-Log(likelihood)	85.23014	85.31938

9 A Characterization Theorem

It is well known that the hazard function, h_F , of a twice differentiable function, F , satisfies the first order differential equation

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{h'_F(x)}{h_F(x)} - h_F(x).$$

In this section we present a Kumaraswamy-GAPA- G type distribution. The result here is inspired by [21]. First let us introduce the following

Definition 9.1. We say a random variable X follows a Kumaraswamy- G type distribution if its CDF is given by

$$F(x; \xi) = 1 - (1 - G(x; \xi))^2$$

where G is some baseline distribution, $x \in \text{Supp}(G)$, and ξ is a vector of parameters in the baseline distribution whose support depends on G .

Remark 9.2. Note that if we take $\lambda = 1$ and $\varphi = 2$ in equation (1) of [22], then we get the CDF in the above definition.

The PDF of the Kumaraswamy- G type distribution is given by

$$f(x; \xi) = 2g(x; \xi)(1 - G(x; \xi))$$

where g is the PDF of the baseline distribution. Clearly the hazard rate function of the Kumaraswamy- G type distribution is given by

$$h(x; \xi) = \frac{2g(x; \xi)}{(1 - G(x; \xi))}.$$

Theorem 9.3. Let $X : \Omega \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous random variable. The PDF of X is

$$2g(x; \xi)(1 - G(x; \xi))$$

for some baseline distribution with PDF g and CDF G if and only if its hazard rate function $h(x)$ satisfies the following differential equation

$$h'(x) - \frac{g'(x)}{g(x)}h(x) = \frac{2g(x)^2}{(1 - G(x))^2}$$

with boundary condition $h(0) = 2g(0)$.

Proof. If X has PDF as stated in the theorem, then the differential equation as stated holds. Now if the stated differential equation holds, then

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left\{ g(x)^{-1} h(x) \right\} = 2 \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ (1 - G(x))^{-1} \right\}$$

which implies

$$h(x) = \frac{2g(x)}{1 - G(x)}$$

which is the hazard rate function of the Kumaraswamy- G type distribution. \square

Clearly, a characterization of the Kumaraswamy-GAPA- G type distribution is obtained from the above theorem by letting the baseline PDF be given as in Section 3.2, and letting the baseline CDF be given as in Section 3.1.

10 Further Recommendation

As a further recommendation we suggest obtaining some properties and applications of a so-called Type II Gull Alpha Power Transform family of distributions. We leave the reader with the following. Obviously, the PDF can be obtained by differentiating the CDF below

Definition 10.1. A random variable X will be called Type II Gull Alpha Power if its CDF can be expressed as

$$\frac{(e^\alpha + 1)F(x; \xi)}{e^{\alpha F(x; \xi)^2} + 1}$$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, ξ is a vector of parameters in the baseline distribution F , and $x \in \text{Supp}(F)$.

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