

A New Flexible Lifetime Model with Statistical Properties and Applications

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Abstract

In this article, we introduce a new lifetime model which exhibits the increasing, the decreasing and the bathtub hazard rates. The considerable justification for the practicality of the new lifetime model is depended on the wider use of the exponentiated Weibull and Weibull lifetime models. The new lifetime model can be viewed as a mixture of the exponentiated Weibull distribution. It can also be viewed as an appropriate model for fitting the right skewed, the symmetric, the left skewed and the unimodal data. We prove empirically the importance and flexibility of the new model in modeling two types of lifetime data.

Keywords: Hazard rates; Weibull lifetime model; Exponentiated weibull.

1. Introduction

A random variable (r.v.) Z is said to have the exponentiated Weibull (E-W) distribution if its probability density function (PDF) given by

$$g^{(E-W)}(z; \alpha, \beta) = \alpha \beta z^{\beta-1} e^{-z^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-z^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1}, \quad (1)$$

and cumulative distribution function (CDF)

$$G^{(E-W)}(z; \alpha, \beta) = \left[1 - e^{-z^\beta} \right]^\alpha, \quad (2)$$

respectively, for $z > 0$, $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta > 0$. The PDF and CDF of the Odd Lindley (OL-G) family of distribution (Silva et al. (2017)) are given by

$$f(x; a, \xi) = a^2 (1+a)^{-1} e^{-aG(x; \xi)/\bar{G}(x; \xi)} g(x; \xi) \bar{G}(x; \xi)^{-3}, \quad (3)$$

And

$$F(x; a, \xi) = 1 - (1+a)^{-1} e^{-aG(x; \xi)/\bar{G}(x; \xi)} \left[a + \bar{G}(x; \xi) \right] \bar{G}(x; \xi)^{-1}, \quad (4)$$

respectively. To this end, by using equations (1), (2) and (3) to obtain the three-parameter OLEW density (5). A r.v. X is said to have the OLEW distribution if its PDF and CDF are given by

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= a^2 (1+a)^{-1} \alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \\ &\times \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}^{-3} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1} \\ &\times e^{-a \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha / \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}}, \quad x \geq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(x) = & 1 - \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}^{-1} \\
 & \times (1+a)^{-1} \left(a + \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\} \right) \\
 & \times e^{-a \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha / \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}}, \quad x \geq 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

respectively. The PDF of X in (5) can be easily expressed as

$$f(x) = \sum_{i,k=0}^{\infty} \eta_{i,k} g^{(E-W)}(x; (i+k+1)\alpha, \beta), \tag{7}$$

where

$$\eta_{i,k} = (-1)^k a^{2+k} \left\{ [(i+k+1)\alpha](a+1)i! \right\}^{-1} \left[\Gamma(i+k+3)/\Gamma(k+3) \right],$$

and $g^{(E-W)}(x; (i+k+1)\alpha, \beta)$ is PDF of E-W model with positive parameters $(i+k+1)\alpha$ and β . The CDF of X can be given by integrating (7) as

$$F(x) = \sum_{i,k=0}^{\infty} \eta_{i,k} \Pi^{(E-W)}(x; (i+k+1)\alpha, \beta), \tag{8}$$

where

$$\Pi^{(E-W)}(x; (i+k+1)\alpha, \beta) = G^{(E-W)}(x; (i+k+1)\alpha, \beta)$$

is PDF of E-W model with positive parameters $(i+k+1)\alpha$ and β . For more details about the OL-G family see Silva et al. (2017). For more information about the E-W model see Mudholkar and Srivastava (1993) and Nadarajah and Kotz (2006).

2. Graphical presentation and justification

From Figure 1 we conclude that the PDF OLEW model exhibits various important shapes, from Figure 2 we conclude that the hrf OLEW distribution exhibits the increasing, the decreasing and the bathtub hazard rates.

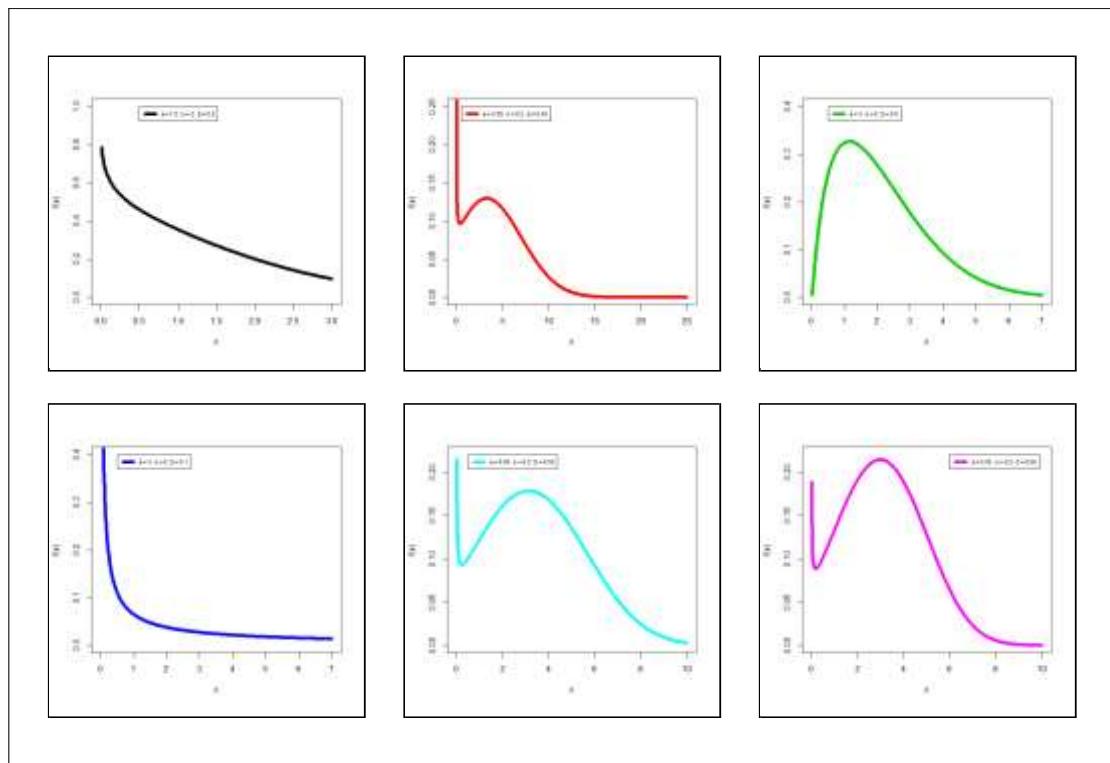


Figure 1: Plots of the OLEW PDF.

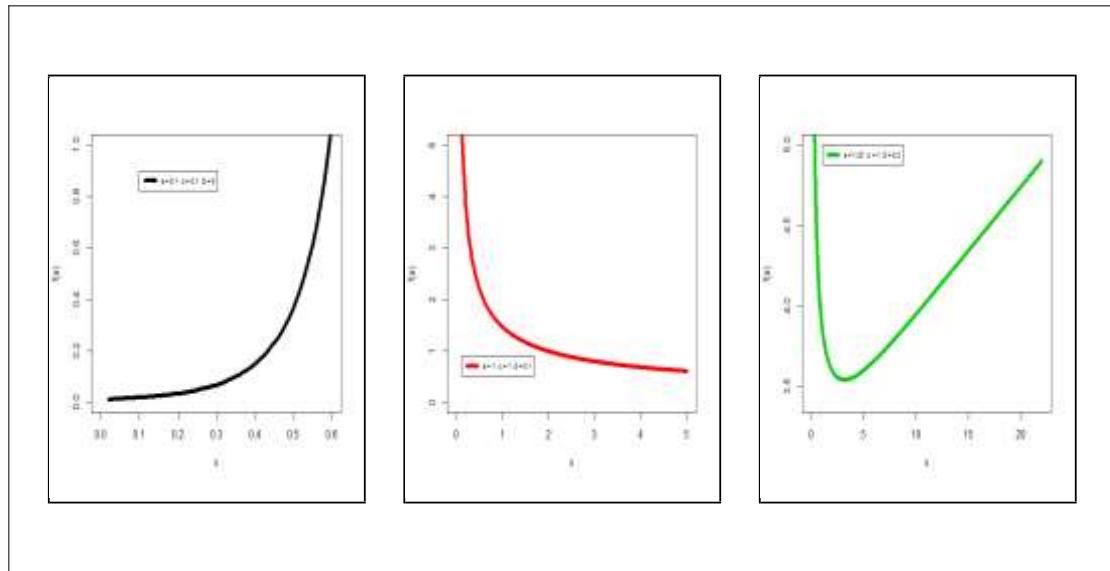


Figure 2: Plots of the OLEW HRF

The major justification for the practicality of the OLEW lifetime model is based on the wider and enormous use of the E-W and W lifetime models. We are also motivated to introduce the OLEW lifetime model since it exhibits the increasing, the decreasing as

well as bathtub hazard rates (see Figure 2). The new model can be viewed as a mixture of the E-W density. It can also be considered as a convenient model for fitting the symmetric, the left skewed, the right skewed, and the unimodal data (see applications 1, 2, 3, and 4). The new lifetime model is a superior on the Marshall Olkin extended-Weibull, the Poisson Topp Leone-Weibull, the Burr X Exponentiated-Weibull, the Kumaraswamy-Weibull, the Gamma-Weibull, the Transmuted modified-Weibull, the Weibull-Fréchet, the Beta-Weibull, the Mcdonald-Weibull, the transmuted exponentiated generalized-Weibull, the Kumaraswamy transmuted-Weibull, and the Modified beta-Weibull models so the new model is a good substitutional to these models in modeling the aircraft windshield data. The new lifetime model is much better than the Mcdonald-Weibull, the transmuted linear exponential, the Weibull, the transmuted modified-Weibull, the Modified beta-Weibull, the transmuted additive-Weibull, the exponentiated transmuted generalized Rayleigh models in modeling cancer patient data. In modeling the survival times of Guinea pig's data, we deduced that the proposed model is much better than the Odd Weibull-Weibull, the Weibull Logarithmic-Weibull and the gamma exponentiated-exponential models. Finally, the new model is a preferable model than the exponentiated-Weibull, the transmuted-Weibull, the Odd Log Logistic-Weibull models, and a good alternate to these models in modeling Glass fibers data.

3. Shapes

The critical points of the OLEW density function are the roots of the equation

$$0 = \frac{\alpha\beta \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1} \right\}}{\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1}} + 3 \frac{\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1}}{1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha} + a \frac{\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1}}{\left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}^2}.$$

The critical points of the HRF of the OLEW are obtained from the following equation

$$0 = \frac{\alpha\beta \frac{d}{dx} \left\{ x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1} \right\}}{\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1}} + \frac{\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1}}{a - \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}} + 2 \frac{\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{\alpha-1}}{\left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}^2}.$$

We can examine the last two Equations to determine the local maximums and minimums and inflexion points via most computer algebra systems.

4. Statistical Properties

Quantile functions

Let X be an arbitrary r.v. with CDF $F(x; \alpha, \beta)$. For any $U \in (0, 1)$, the u^{th} quantile function (QF) $Q(U)$ of the r.v. X is the solution of $u = F(Q(U))$ for all $Q(U) > 0$, from Equ. (6), we get

$$(u-1)(1+a)e^{1+a} = -\left[1+a-G(Q(U))\right]/\left[1-G(Q(U))\right]e^{-\frac{aG(Q(U))}{1-G(Q(U))}},$$

where

$$-\left[1+a-G(Q(U))\right]/\left[1-G(Q(U))\right]$$

is the Lambert W function of the real argument $(1+a)(u-1)\exp(1+a)$ and the Lambert W function is defined as

$$W(x)e^{W(x)} = x.$$

From Silva et al. (2017), we can write the following equation for qf of the OLEW model

$$Q(u) = \left(-\log \left\{ -a \left[W(-(u-1)(1+a)e^{1+a}) \right]^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right\} \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}},$$

where $W(\cdot)$ is Lambert function.

Moments

The r^{th} ordinary moment of X is given by $\mu'_r = \int_0^\infty x^r f(x) dx = E(X^r)$. Using (7), we get

$$\mu'_r = \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \eta_{i,k} c_j^{((i+k+1)\alpha,r)} \prod_{m=0}^{r/\beta-1} (r/\beta - m), \quad \forall r > -\beta, \quad (9)$$

where

$$c_\tau^{(\zeta,r)} = \zeta(-1)^\tau (\tau+1)^{-(r+\beta)/\beta} \binom{\zeta-1}{\tau},$$

$$\Gamma(1+v) = \prod_{m=0}^{v-1} (v-m) = v(v-1)(v-2)\dots 1, \quad v \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

and

$$\int_0^\infty x^{\zeta-1} e^{-t} dx = \Gamma(\zeta)$$

is the complete gamma function. The r^{th} incomplete moment of X , say $\phi_r(t)$, is given by $\phi_r(t) = \int_0^t x^r f(x) dx$. Using Equ. (7), we obtain

$$\phi_r(t) = \gamma(1+r\beta^{-1}, t^{-\beta}) \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \eta_{i,k} c_j^{((i+k+1)\alpha,r)}, \quad \forall r > -\beta,$$

where

$$\int_0^x x^{\zeta-1} e^{-x} dx = \gamma(\zeta, x)$$

is the incomplete gamma function.

The skewness of the new distribution can range in the interval (3.0, 13.29), whereas the kurtosis of the new distribution varies only in the interval (16.24, 342.27) also the mean of X increases as a decreases, the skewness is always positive (see Table 1 below). Kurtosis and skewness decreases as a decreases.

Table 1: Mean, variance, skewness and kurtosis.

a	α	β	Mean	Variance	Skewness	Kurtosis
12	0.5	0.5	0.0004448871	3.58293e-06	13.29338	342.2683
10			0.0008002379	1.004574e-05	11.74448	257.6969
9			0.001116289	1.793282e-05	10.90421	218.1514
8			0.001606237	3.377674e-05	10.0244	180.8872
7			0.002409667	6.787921e-05	9.106993	146.3875
6			0.003803622	0.0001479716	8.14884	114.8509
5			0.006417333	0.0003583729	7.145566	86.5292
4			0.01186386	0.001000895	6.089889	61.67035
3			0.02508872	0.00343516	4.967765	40.50531
2			0.06616025	0.01640312	3.752099	23.28799
1			0.1236907	0.04399114	3.089047	16.23744

Order statistics

Let X_1, K, X_n be a random sample (RS) from the OLEW model of distributions and let $X_{1:n}, K, X_{n:n}$ be the corresponding order statistics, so the PDF of the i^{th} order statistic, say $X_{i:n}$, can be expressed as

$$f_{i:n}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} (-1)^j B^{-1}(i, n-i+1) f(x) F(x)^{j+i-1} \binom{n-i}{j}.$$

where $B(\cdot, \cdot)$ is the beta function. Substituting (5) and (6) in Equ. of $f_{i:n}(x)$, we obtain

$$f_{i:n}(x) = \sum_{m,p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{k+n-i} \eta_{i,m,p} g^{(E-W)}(x; (j+m+p+1)\alpha, \beta),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{i,m,p} &= \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} (-1)^{k+m} a^{j+m+2} (1+a)^{-(j+1)} [B(i, n-i+1)]^{-1} \\ &\quad \times [m!(j+m+p+1)\alpha]^{-1} \binom{j+m+p}{j+m} \binom{k+n-1}{j} \binom{i-1}{k}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, the z^{th} moment of $X_{i:n}$ is given by

$$E(X_{i:n}^z) = \sum_{m,p,h=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{k+n-i} \eta_{i,m,p} c_h^{((j+m+p+1)\alpha, z)} \prod_{w=0}^{z/\beta-1} (z/\beta - w), \quad \forall z > -\beta.$$

Moment of Residual and Reversed Residual Life (MRL & MRRL)

The n^{th} MRL is given by

$$z_n(t) = E[(X-t)^n |_{X>t}^{n=1,2,K}], \quad \forall t > 0.$$

So, the n^{th} MRL of X can be given as

$$[1-F(t)]^{-1} \int_t^{\infty} (x-t)^n dF(x) = z_n(t),$$

Subsequently, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} z_n(t) &= [1-F(t)]^{-1} \sum_{i,k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^n (-t)^{n-r} \binom{n}{r} \eta_{i,k} \int_t^{\infty} x^r g(x; (i+k+1)\alpha, \beta) dx, \\ &= \gamma(1+n\beta^{-1}, t^{-\beta}) [1-F(t)]^{-1} \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^n \tau_{i,j,k,r}^{((i+k+1)\alpha, n)} \quad \forall n > -\beta, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\tau_{i,j,k,r}^{((i+k+1)\alpha, n)} = \eta_{i,k} t^{n-r} [(i+k+1)\alpha] (-1)^{i+n-r} (j+1)^{-(n+\beta)/\beta} \binom{i+k}{j} \binom{n}{r}.$$

The n^{th} MRRL is given by

$$Z_n(t) = E[(t-X)^n |_{X \leq t}^{n=1,2,K}], \quad \forall t > 0,$$

uniquely determines $F(x)$. We have

$$F(t)^{-1} \int_0^t (t-x)^n dF(x) = Z_n(t).$$

Then, the n^{th} moment of the reversed residual life of X becomes

$$\begin{aligned} Z_n(t) &= F(t)^{-1} \sum_{i,k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \binom{n}{r} t^{n-r} \eta_{i,k} \int_0^t x^r g(x; (i+k+1)\alpha, \beta) dx, \\ &= \gamma(1+n\beta^{-1}, t^{-\beta}) F(t)^{-1} \sum_{i,j,k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{r=0}^n \zeta_{i,j,k,r}^{((i+k+1)\alpha, n)} \quad \forall n > -\beta, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\zeta_{i,j,k,r}^{((i+k+1)\alpha, n)} = \eta_{i,k} t^{n-r} [(i+k+1)\alpha] (-1)^{i+r} (j+1)^{-(n+\beta)/\beta} \binom{i+k}{j} \binom{n}{r}.$$

5. Maximum likelihood method

If x_1, K, x_n be a RS of the new distribution with parameter vector $\Psi = (a, \alpha, \beta)^T$. The log-likelihood function for Ψ , say $L = L(\Psi)$, is given by

$$L = L(\Psi) = 2n \log 2 - n \log(1+a) + n \log \alpha + n \log \beta \\ + (\beta-1) \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^\beta - 3 \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1-s_i^\alpha) \\ + (\alpha-1) \sum_{i=1}^n \log s_i - a \sum_{i=1}^n z_i$$

where

$$s_i = \left[1 - e^{-x_i^\beta} \right] \text{ and } z_i = s_i^\alpha \left(1 - s_i^\alpha \right)^{-1},$$

Equ. of $L(\Psi)$ can be maximized either via the different programs like R (optim function), SAS (PROC NLMIXED) or via solving the nonlinear likelihood equations obtained by differentiating Equ. (13). The score vector elements, $\mathbf{U}(\Psi) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \Psi} = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial a}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} \right)^T$, are given as

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial a} = -\frac{n}{1+a} - \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{n}{\alpha} + 3 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{s_i^\alpha \log s_i}{1-s_i^\alpha} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log s_i,$$

and

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} = \frac{n}{\beta} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^\beta \log x_i + 3 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha s_i^{\alpha-1} m_i}{1-s_i^\alpha} + (\alpha-1) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{m_i}{s_i} - a \sum_{i=1}^n w_i,$$

where

$$m_i = x_i^\beta e^{-x_i^\beta} \log x_i \text{ and } w_i = \frac{\alpha m_i s_i^{\alpha-1}}{(1-s_i^\alpha)^2},$$

we can obtain the estimates of the unknown parameters via setting the score vector to zero, $\hat{\mathbf{U}}(\hat{\Psi}) = \mathbf{0}$, then solving these equations simultaneously gives the MLEs $\hat{a}, \hat{\alpha}$ and $\hat{\beta}$.

6. Data modeling

In this section, we provide four applications of the OLEW distribution to demonstrate empirically its significance, we consider the Cramér-von-Mises (W^*) and the Anderson-Darling (A^*) statistics. These statistics can be written as

$$\left[(1/12n) + \sum_{j=1}^n \left[z_j - (2j-1)/2n \right]^2 \right] (1+1/2n) = W^*$$

and

$$\left(1 + \frac{9}{4n^2} + \frac{3}{4n}\right) \left\{ n + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (2j-1) \log [z_i (1 - z_{n-j+1})] \right\} = A^*$$

respectively, where $z_i = F(y_j)$ and the y_j 's values are the ordered observations. The required calculations are carried out via the R software. The MLEs and the corresponding standard errors (SE) (in parentheses) of the model parameters are given in Tables 2, 3, 4, and 5. The numerical values of the statistics W^* and A^* are listed in the same Tables. The histograms of the four data sets are displayed in Figures 4, 6, 8, and 10. the total time test (TTT) (see Aarset (1987)) are displayed in Figures 3, 5, 7, and 9

Application 1: Failure times of 84 aircraft windshield

The data consist of 84 observations. The data are: 0.0400, 1.8660, 2.3850, 3.4430, 0.3010, 1.8760, 2.481, 3.4670, 0.3090, 1.899, 2.6100, 3.478, 0.5570, 1.911, 2.6250, 4.570, 1.6520, 2.3000, 3.344, 4.6020, 1.757, 3.5780, 0.9430, 1.912, 2.6320, 3.595, 1.0700, 1.9140, 2.6460, 3.699, 1.1240, 1.9810, 2.661, 3.7790, 1.2480, 2.010, 2.2240, 3.1170, 4.485, 1.6520, 2.229, 3.1660, 2.688, 3.9240, 1.2810, 2.0380, 2.823, 4.0350, 1.281, 2.0850, 2.890, 4.1210, 1.303, 2.0890, 2.902, 4.1670, 1.432, 4.3760, 1.615, 2.2230, 3.114, 4.4490, 1.619, 2.0970, 2.934, 4.240, 1.4800, 2.135, 2.9620, 4.255, 1.5050, 2.154, 2.9640, 4.278, 1.50600, 2.190, 3.0000, 4.3050, 1.5680, 2.1940, 3.1030, 2.3240, 3.3760, 4.6630. Figure 3 gives the TTT plot for the data set I. From Figure 3, we note that the HRF of data set I is increasing.

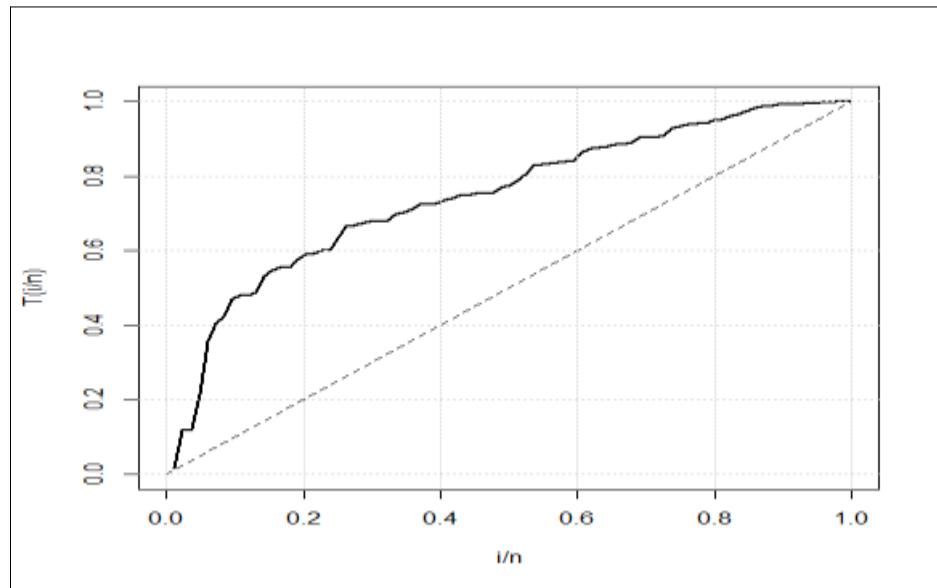


Figure 3: TTT plots for data set I.

Here, we shall compare the fits of the OLEW distribution with those of other competitive models, namely: Burr X Exponentiated Weibull (BrXEW)

$$f^{(BrXE-W)}(x) = 2\theta\alpha\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-x^\beta} \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^{2\alpha-1} \left\{ 1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha \right\}^{-3} \\ \times \exp \left(- \left\{ \frac{\left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha}{1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha} \right\}^2 \right) \left[1 - \exp \left(- \left\{ \frac{\left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha}{1 - \left[1 - e^{-x^\beta} \right]^\alpha} \right\}^2 \right) \right]^{\theta-1}$$

the Beta-Weibull (B-W) (Lee et al., 2007)

$$f^{(TM-W)}(x) = \beta\alpha x^{\beta-1} (a, b) x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\}^{a-1} e^{-b(\alpha x)^\beta};$$

the Poisson Topp Leone-Weibull (PTL-W)

$$f^{(PTL-W)}(x) = 2\lambda\alpha ba^b x^{b-1} \left[1 - e^{-\lambda} \right]^{-1} e^{-2x^b} \left[1 - e^{-2x^b} \right]^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda \left[1 - e^{-2x^b} \right]^\alpha};$$

the Transmuted modified-Weibull (TM-W) (Khan and King, 2013)

$$f^{(TM-W)}(x) = (\alpha + \gamma\beta x^{\beta-1}) \left[1 - \lambda + 2\lambda e^{-\alpha x - \gamma x^\beta} \right] e^{-\alpha x - \gamma x^\beta}, |\lambda| \leq 1;$$

Marshall Olkin extended-Weibull (MOE-W) (Ghitany et al., 2005)

$$f^{(MOE-W)}(x) = \alpha\beta\gamma^\beta \left[1 - (1-\alpha) e^{-(\gamma x)^\beta} \right]^{-2} x^{\beta-1} e^{-(\gamma x)^\beta};$$

the transmuted exponentiated generalized Weibull (TExG-W) (Yousof et al., 2015)

$$f^{(TExG-W)}(x) = ab\beta\alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - e^{-a(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\}^{b-1} e^{-a(\alpha x)^\beta} \\ \times \left(1 + \lambda - 2\lambda \left\{ 1 - e^{-a(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\}^b \right), |\lambda| \leq 1.$$

the Gamma-Weibull (Ga-W) (Provost et al., 2011)

$$f^{(Ga-W)}(x) = \beta\alpha^{\gamma/\beta+1} \Gamma^{-1}(1+\gamma/\beta) x^{\beta+\gamma-1} e^{-\alpha x^\beta};$$

the Weibull-Fréchet (W-Fr) (Afify et al., 2016c)

$$f(x) = ab\beta\alpha^\beta x^{-(\beta+1)} e^{-b(\frac{\alpha}{x})^\beta} \left\{ 1 - e^{-b(\frac{\alpha}{x})^\beta} \right\}^{-(b+1)} \exp \left\{ -a \left[\frac{e^{-b(\frac{\alpha}{x})^\beta}}{1 - e^{-b(\frac{\alpha}{x})^\beta}} \right]^b \right\},$$

the Kumaraswamy-Weibull (Kw-W) (Cordeiro et al., 2010)

$$f^{(W-Fr)}(x) = ab\beta\alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \left[1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right]^{a-1} e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \left(1 - \left[1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right]^a \right)^{b-1};$$

the Kumaraswamy transmuted-Weibull (KwT-W) (Afify et al., 2016a)

$$f^{(KwT-W)}(x) = ab\beta\alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \left(1 + \lambda - 2\lambda \left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\} \right) e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \\ \times \left[1 - \left((1+\lambda) \left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\} - \lambda \left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\}^2 \right)^a \right]^{b-1} \\ \times \left[\left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\} \left(1 + \lambda - \lambda \left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\} \right) \right]^{a-1};$$

Modified beta-Weibull (MB-W) (Khan, 2015)

$$f^{(MB-W)}(x) = \beta\gamma^a \alpha^{-\beta} B^{-1}(a, b) x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)^\beta} \right\}^{a-1} e^{-b\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)^\beta} \\ \times \left(1 - (1-\gamma) \left\{ 1 - e^{-b\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)^\beta} \right\} \right)^{-a-b};$$

the McDonald-Weibull (Mc-W) (Cordeiro et al., 2014),

$$f^{(Mc-W)}(x) = \beta c \alpha^\beta B^{-1}(a/c, b) x^{\beta-1} \left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\}^{a-1} e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \\ \times \left(1 - \left\{ 1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta} \right\}^c \right)^{b-1};$$

distributions, whose PDFs (for $x \geq 0$). The parameters of the above densities are all positive real numbers except for the TM-W and TExG-W distributions. Some other extensions of the W distribution can also be used in this comparison, but are not limited to Yousof et al. (2015), Afify et al. (2016b, c), Yousof et al. (2016a, b), Cordeiro et al. (2017a, b), Yousof et al. (2017a, b, c, d, e), Korkmaz et al. (2018am b), Brito et al. (2017), Hamedani et al. (2017) and Hamedani et al. (2018a, b). The figures in Table 1 proves that the OLEW distribution yields the lowest values of W^* and A^* , hence the OLEW distribution provides the best fit to the two data sets

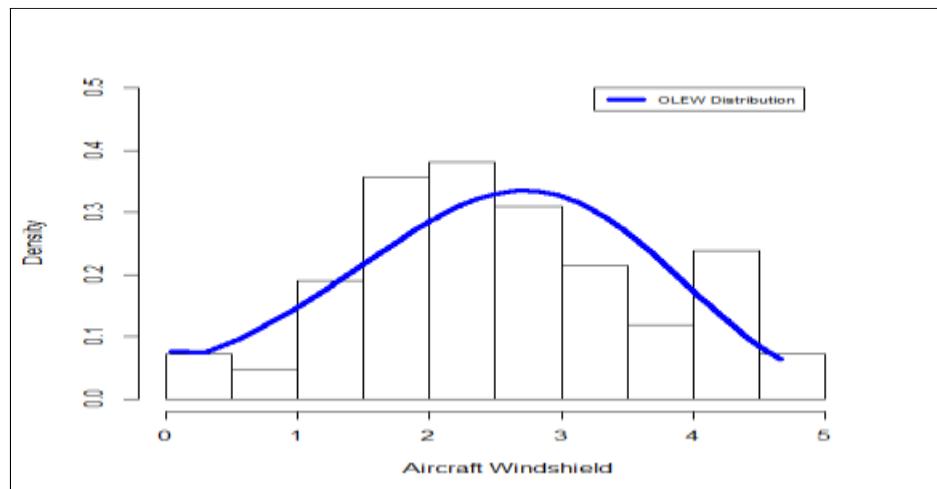


Figure 4: Estimated PDF for data set I.

Table 2: MLEs, SE (in parentheses), W^* and A^* for data set I.

Distribution	Estimates	W^*	A^*
OLEW(a, α, β)	0.15935, 0.7322, 0.765 (0.3712), (1.778), (0.04057)	0.0723	0.609
BrXE-W(θ, α, β)	0.6368387, 4.2622291, 0.5364023 (0.356), (1.757), (0.0997)	0.07435	0.642
PTL-W(λ, α, b)	-5.78175, 4.22865, 0.65801 (1.395), (1.167), (0.039)	0.1397	1.19393
MOE-W(γ, β, α)	488.8995, 0.283246, 1261.97 (189.358), (0.013), (351.073)	0.39953	4.44766
Ga-W(α, β, γ)	2.376973, 0.848094, 3.534401 (0.378), (0.0005296), (0.665)	0.25533	1.94887
Kw-W(α, β, a, b)	14.433, 0.204, 34.6599, 81.8459 (27.095), (0.042), (17.527), (52.014)	0.18523	1.50591
W-Fr(α, β, a, b)	630.9384, 0.3024, 416.0971, 1.1664 (697.942), (0.032), (232.359), (0.357)	0.25372	1.95739
B-W(α, β, a, b)	1.36, 0.2981, 34.1802, 11.4956 (1.002), (0.06), (14.838), (6.73)	0.46518	3.21973
TM-W($\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda$)	0.2722, 1, 4.6×10^{-6} , 0.4685 (0.014), (5.2×10^{-5}), (1.9×10^{-4}), (0.165)	0.80649	11.20466
KwT-W($\alpha, \beta, \lambda, a, b$)	27.7912, 0.178, 0.4449, 29.5253, 168.0603 (33.401), (0.017), (0.609), (9.792), (129.165)	0.16401	1.36324
MB-W(α, β, a, b, c)	10.1502, 0.1632, 57.4167, 19.3859, 2.0043 (18.697), (0.019), (14.063), (10.019), (0.662)	0.47172	3.26561
Mc-W(α, β, a, b, c)	1.9401, 0.306, 17.686, 33.6388, 16.7211, (1.011), (0.045), (6.222), (19.994), (9.722)	0.1986	1.59064
TExG-W($\alpha, \beta, \lambda, a, b$)	4.2567, 0.1532, 0.0978, 5.2313, 1173.3277 (33.401), (0.017), (0.609), (9.792)	1.00791	6.23321

Based on the figures in Table 1 we conclude that the OLEW distribution provides adequate fits as compared to other Weibull models with small values for W^* and A^* . The proposed lifetime model is better than the MOE-W, Ga-W, BrXE-W, PTL-W, Kw-W, KwT-W, MB-W, Mc-W, W-Fr, B-W, TM-W, and TExG-W models, and a good ersatz to these models.

Application 2: Cancer patient data

This data set represents the remission times (in months) of a random sample of 128 bladder cancer patients as reported in Lee and Wang (2003). This data is given by: 0.080, 2.09, 3.480, 4.870, 6.94, 8.660, 13.110, 23.63, 0.200, 2.23, 3.52, 4.980, 6.970, 9.020, 13.29, 0.400, 2.26, 3.570, 5.060, 7.090, 9.22, 13.800, 25.74, 0.50, 2.460, 3.64, 5.090, 7.26, 9.470, 14.24, 25.820, 0.510, 2.54, 3.70, 5.170, 7.28, 9.74, 14.760, 26.31, 0.810, 2.62, 3.82, 5.320, 7.32, 10.060, 14.77, 32.150, 2.64, 3.880, 5.32, 7.39, 10.340, 14.83, 34.260, 0.90, 2.690, 4.18, 5.340, 7.590, 10.660, 15.96, 36.660, 1.050, 2.69, 4.230, 5.41, 7.620, 10.75, 16.620, 43.01, 1.190, 2.75, 4.260, 5.410, 7.63, 17.120, 46.12, 1.260, 2.83, 4.330, 5.49, 7.660, 11.25, 17.140, 79.050, 1.350, 2.870, 5.620, 7.87, 11.64, 17.36, 1.40, 3.02, 4.34, 5.71, 7.93, 11.79, 18.10, 1.46, 4.40, 5.85, 8.26, 11.98, 19.13, 1.76, 3.25, 4.50, 6.25, 8.37, 12.02, 2.02, 3.31, 4.51, 6.54, 8.530, 12.030, 20.28, 2.02, 3.360, 6.76, 12.07, 21.730, 2.07, 3.360, 6.93, 8.650, 12.630, 22.690. Figure 5 gives the TTT plot for the data set II. From Figure 5, we note that the HRF of data set II is unimodal.

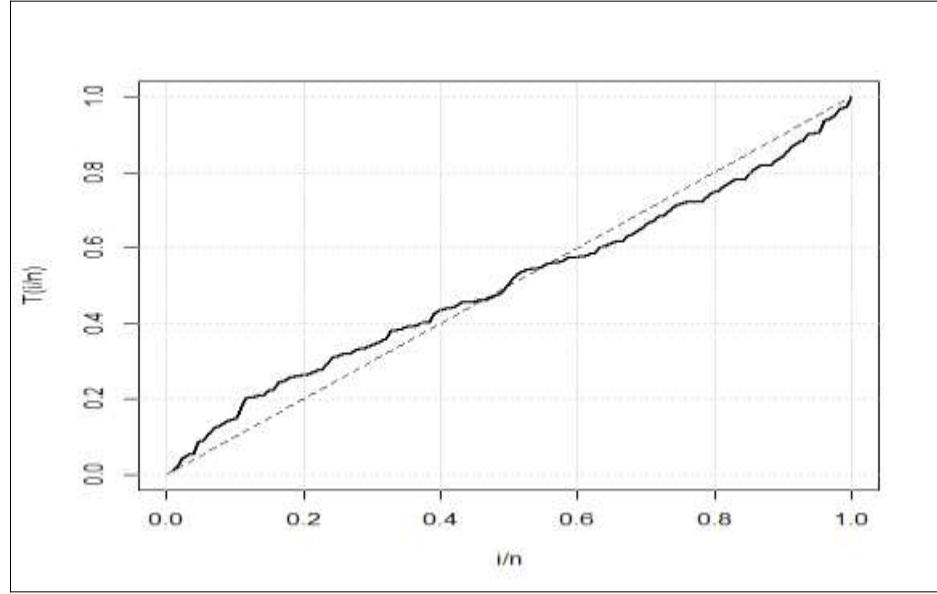


Figure 5: TTT plots for data set II.

We compare the fits of the OLEW distribution with other competitive models, namely: the McW, transmuted linear exponential (TL-E) (Tian et al., 2014)

$$f^{(TL-E)}(x) = (\alpha + \gamma x) \left[1 - e^{-(\alpha x + \frac{\gamma}{2} x^2)} \right] \left\{ 1 - \lambda + 2\lambda e^{-(\alpha x + \frac{\gamma}{2} x^2)} \right\}, |\lambda| \leq 1;$$

The TMW, MBW, exponentiated transmuted generalized Rayleigh (ETGR) (Afify et al., 2015)

$$f^{(ETG-R)}(x) = 2\alpha\delta\beta^2 x \frac{e^{-(\beta x)^2} \left\{ 1 + \lambda - \lambda \left(1 - e^{-(\beta x)^2} \right)^\alpha \right\}^{\delta-1} \left[1 - e^{-(\beta x)^2} \right]^{\alpha\delta-1}}{\left[1 + \lambda - 2\lambda \left(1 - e^{-(\beta x)^2} \right)^\alpha \right]^{-1}}, |\lambda| \leq 1$$

and the W (Weibull, 1951)

$$f^{(W)}(x) = \beta\alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta}$$

transmuted additive Weibull distribution (TA-W) (Elbatal and Aryal, 2013)

$$f^{(TA-W)}(x) = (\alpha\theta x^{\theta-1} + \gamma\beta x^{\beta-1}) e^{-(\alpha x^\theta + \gamma x^\beta)} \left\{ 1 - \lambda + 2\lambda e^{-(\alpha x^\theta + \gamma x^\beta)} \right\};$$

distributions with corresponding densities (for $x \geq 0$).

Table 3: MLEs, SE (in parentheses), W^* and A^* for data set II.

Distribution	Estimates	W^*	A^*
OLEW(a, α, β)	30.6, 13.223, 0.177 (41.462), (3.014), (0.047)	0.0494	0.3124
Mc-W(α, β, a, b, c)	0.1192, 0.5582, 4.0633, 2.6036, 0.0393 (0.109), (0.178), (2.111), (2.452), (0.202)	0.05037	0.32985
TLE(α, γ, λ)	0.0612, 3.0877×10^{-5} , 0.8568 (0.01), (6.819×10^{-4}), (0.203)	0.06085	0.55402
W(α, β)	9.5593, 1.0477 (0.853), (0.068)	0.10553	0.66279
TM-W($\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda$)	0.1208, 0.8955, 0.0002, 0.2513 (0.024), (0.626), (0.011), (0.407)	0.12511	0.76028
MB-W(α, β, a, b, c)	0.1502, 0.1632, 57.4167, 19.3859, 2.0043 (22.437), (0.044), (37.317), (13.49), (0.789)	0.10679	0.72074
TA-W($\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \theta, \lambda$)	0.1139, 0.9722, 3.0936×10^{-5} , 1.0065, -0.163 (0.032), (0.125), (6.106×10^{-3}), (0.035), (0.28)	0.11288	0.70326
ETG-R($\alpha, \beta, \delta, \lambda$)	7.3762, 0.0473, 0.0494, 0.118 (5.389), (3.965×10^{-3}), (0.036), (0.26)	0.39794	2.36077

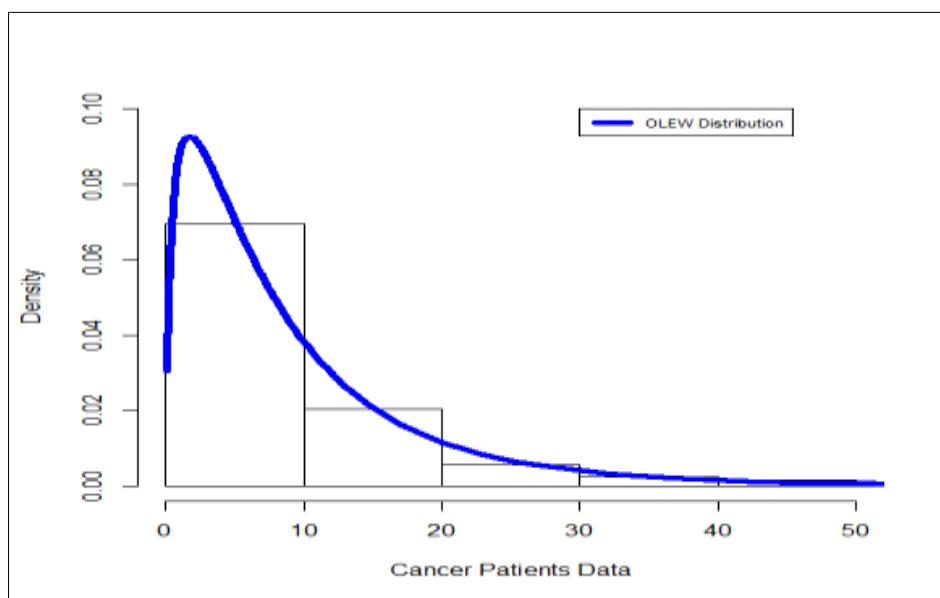


Figure 6: Estimated PDF for data set II.

Based on the figures in Table 2 we conclude that the proposed lifetime model is much better than the Mc-W, TL-E, W, TM-W, MB-W, TA-W, ETG-R models with small values for W^* and A^* in modeling cancer patients data.

Application 3: Survival times of Guinea pigs

The second real data set corresponds to the survival times (in days) of 72 guinea pigs infected with virulent tubercle bacilli reported by Bjerkedal (1960). The data are: 10, 33, 327, 342, 347, 361, 72, 74, 77, 92, 93, 215, 216, 222, 113, 115, 116, 120, 121, 197, 230, 231, 240, 245, 108, 108, 108, 109, 112, 122, 72, 176, 183, 122, 124, 130, 134, 136, 139, 144, 146, 153, 159, 160, 163, 163, 168, 171, 195, 96, 100, 100, 102, 105, 107, 107, 202, 213, 196, 251, 253, 254, 255, 278, 293, 402, 432, 458, 44, 56, 59, 555. Figure 7 gives the TTT plot for the data set III. From Figure 7, we note that the HRF of data set III is increasing.

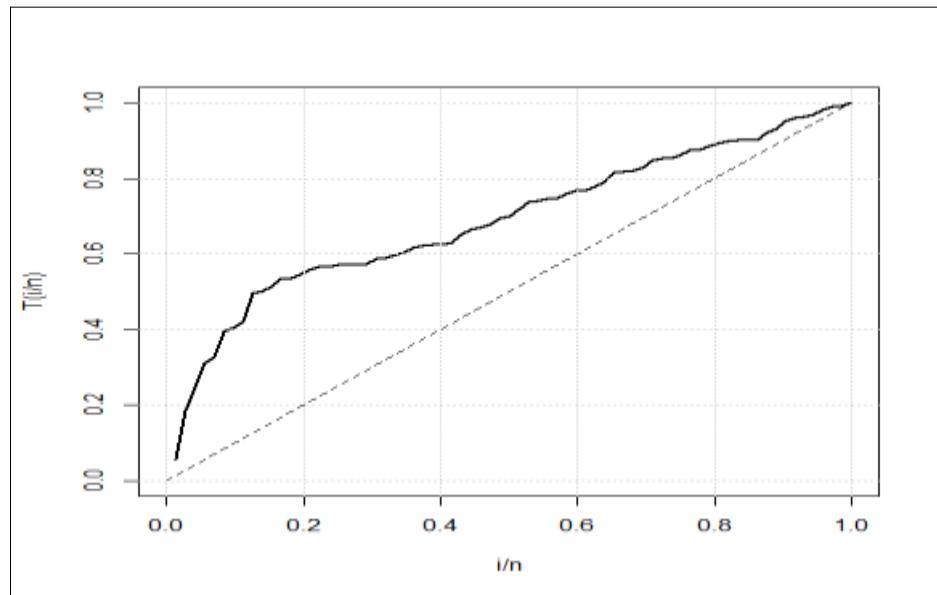


Figure 7: TTT plots for data set III.

We shall compare the fits of the OLEW distribution with those of other competitive models, namely: Odd Weibull-Weibull (OW-W) (Bourguignon et al., 2014)

$$f^{(OW-W)}(x) = 1 - \exp\left\{-\alpha\left[\exp(\lambda x^\gamma) - 1\right]^\beta\right\};$$

the gamma exponentiated-exponential (GaE-E) (Ristic and Balakrishnan 2012)

$$f^{(GaE-E)}(x) = \frac{\alpha\theta e^{-\theta x}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \left[-e^{-\theta x} + 1\right]^{\alpha-1} \left\{-\alpha \log[1 - e^{-\theta x}]\right\}^{\lambda-1};$$

distributions, whose PDFs (for $x > 0$).

Table 4: MLEs, SE (in parentheses), W^* and A^* for data set III.

Distribution	Estimates	W^*	A^*
OLEW(a, α, β)	0.0018, 0.0716, 0.2813 (0.0004), (0.025), (0.0096)	0.2517	1.4750
OW-W(β, γ, λ)	11.1576, 0.0881, 0.4574 (4.5449) (0.0355) (0.0770)	0.4494	2.4764
WLog-W(β, γ, λ)	1.7872, 0.7795, 0.0255 (0.7821), (0.3332), (0.0400)	0.4348	2.3938
GaE-E(λ, α, θ)	2.1138, 2.6006, 0.0083 (1.3288), (0.5597), (0.0048)	0.3150	1.7208

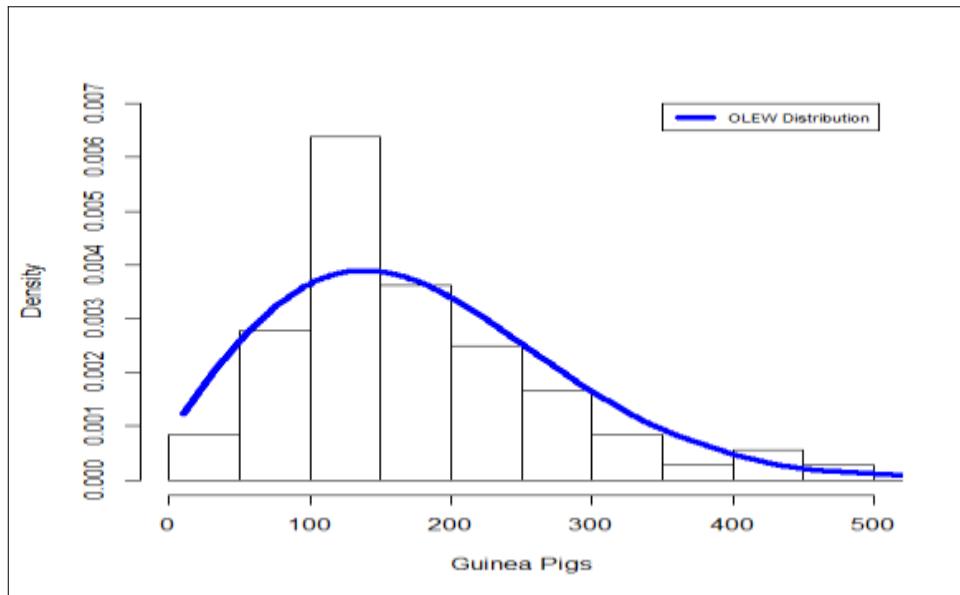


Figure 8: Estimated PDF for data set III.

Based on the figures in Table 3 we conclude that the proposed model is much better than the OW-W, WLog-W, GaE-E models, and a good alternative to these models in modeling survival times of Guinea pigs.

Application 4: Glass fibres data

This data consists of 63 observations of the strengths of 1.5 cm glass fibres, originally obtained by workers at the UK National Physical Laboratory. The data are: 0.550, 0.74, 0.770, 0.81, 0.840, 0.930, 1.04, 1.110, 1.13, 1.240, 1.250, 1.27, 1.280, 1.290, 1.30, 1.360, 1.39, 1.42, 1.480, 1.480, 1.49, 1.49, 1.500, 1.500, 1.51, 1.520, 1.530, 1.540, 1.550, 1.550, 1.58, 1.590, 1.60, 1.601, 1.610, 1.610, 1.61, 1.620, 1.62, 1.630, 1.64, 1.660, 1.66, 1.660, 1.67, 1.68, 1.680, 1.69, 1.700, 1.70, 1.73, 1.76, 1.760, 1.77, 1.78, 1.810, 1.82, 1.84, 1.84, 1.89, 2.000, 2.010, 2.240. Figure 9 gives the TTT plot for the data set IV. From Figure 9, we note that the HRF of data set IV is increasing.

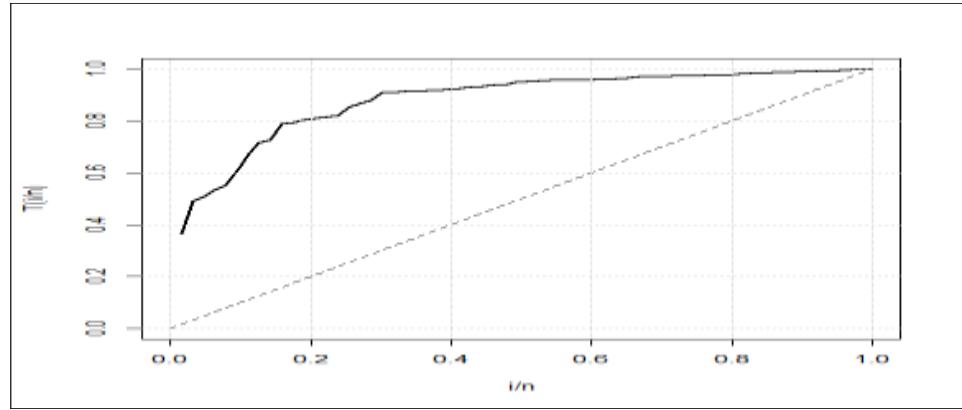


Figure 9: TTT plots for data set IV.

For this data set, we shall compare the fits of the OLEW distribution with some competitive models like E-W, T-W:

$$f^{(T-W)}(x) = \beta\alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \exp\left[-(\alpha x)^\beta\right] \left(1 + a - 2a\left\{1 - \exp\left[-(\alpha x)^\beta\right]\right\}\right), |a| \leq 1,$$

and OLL W:

$$f^{(OLLW)}(x) = \theta\beta\alpha^\beta x^{\beta-1} \left\{1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta}\right\}^{\theta-1} e^{-\theta(\alpha x)^\beta} \\ \left(\left\{1 - e^{-(\alpha x)^\beta}\right\}^\theta + e^{-\theta(\alpha x)^\beta}\right)^{-2}.$$

Table 5: MLEs, SE (in parentheses), W^* and A^* for data set IV.

Distribution	Estimates	W^*	A^*
OLEW(a, α, β)	0.5088, 2.53, 1.7122 (0.397, (1.83), (0.096))	0.271	0.169
E-W(a, α, β)	0.671, 7.285, 1.718 (0.249), (1.707), (0.086)	0.636	3.484
T-W(a, α, β)	-0.5010, 5.1498, 0.6458 (0.2741), (0.6657), (0.0235)	1.0358	0.1691
OLL-W(θ, α, β)	0.9439, 6.0256, 0.6159 (0.2689), (1.3478), (0.0164)	1.2364	0.2194

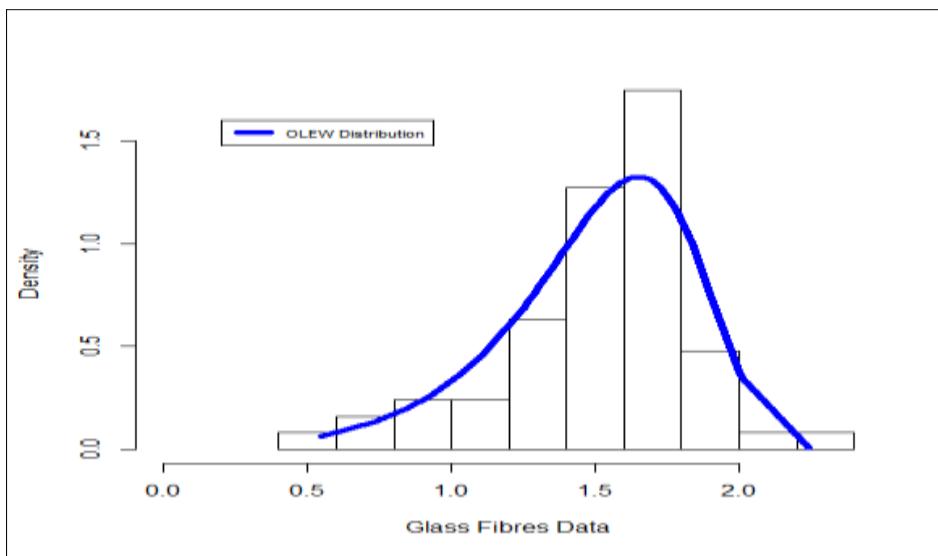


Figure 10: Estimated PDF for data set IV.

Based on the figures in Table 4 we conclude that the proposed model is much better than the E-W, T-W, OLL-W models, and a good alternative to these models in modeling glass fibres data.

Concluding remarks

In this article, we introduce and study a new three-parameter lifetime model called the Odd Lindley exponentiated Weibull (OLEW) model. The fundamental justification for the practicality of the OLEW lifetime model is established on the broad use of the Weibull and exponentiated Weibull models. We are also motivated to introduce the OLEW lifetime model since it exhibits increasing, decreasing and bathtub hazard rates. The new model can be viewed as a mixture of the E-W distribution. It can also be considered as a suitable model for fitting the symmetric, left skewed, right skewed, and unimodal data. We prove empirically the importance and flexibility of the new model in modeling four types of lifetime data, the new model provides adequate fits as compared to other Weibull models with small values for W^* and A^* . The OLEW lifetime model is a superior on the Burr X Exponentiated-Weibull, the Marshall Olkin extended-Weibull, the Poisson Topp Leone-Weibull, the Kumaraswamy-Weibull, the Gamma-Weibull, the Transmuted modified-Weibull, the Weibull-Fréchet, the Beta-Weibull, the Mcdonald-Weibull, the transmuted exponentiated generalized-Weibull, the Kumaraswamy transmuted-Weibull, and the Modified beta-Weibull models so the OLEW model is a good substitutional to these models in modeling the aircraft windshield data. The OLEW lifetime model is much better than the Mcdonald-Weibull, the transmuted linear exponential, the Weibull, the transmuted modified-Weibull, the Modified beta-Weibull, the transmuted additive-Weibull, the exponentiated transmuted generalized Rayleigh models in modeling cancer patient data. In modeling the survival times of Guinea pig's data, we deduced that the proposed model is much better than the Odd Weibull-Weibull, the Weibull Logarithmic-Weibull and the gamma exponentiated-exponential models. Finally, the OLEW model is a preferable model than the exponentiated-Weibull, the

transmuted-Weibull, the Odd Log Logistic-Weibull models, and a good alternate to these models in modeling Glass fibers data.

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