

ENTROPY FOR PARETO-TYPES AND ITS ORDER STATISTICS DISTRIBUTIONS

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Abstract. The aim of this paper is deriving the exact analytical expressions of entropy for the Pareto-types and related distributions. Entropy for i^{th} order statistics of these distributions corresponding to the random sample size n is introduced. We have shown that all the expressions related to finding corresponding entropy for these families and their order statistics distributions are obtained through some particular techniques via integration. Indeed, these techniques for that improper integrals has its own importance also.

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1. Introduction. The idea of the entropy of random variables is developed by Claude Shannon (1948), for the first time in information theory. The applications of entropy originated in the nineteenth century in the field of Statistical Mechanics and Thermodynamics. During the last sixty years or so, a number of research papers and monographs discussing and extending Shannon's original work have appeared. In this paper, the exact form of the entropy for the Pareto-types and related distributions is determined. Entropy for the i^{th} order statistics corresponding to the independent random variable with sample size n for these distributions is given also. These distributions have important role as parametric models in reliability, actuarial science, economics, finance and telecommunications. The Shannon entropy of a random variable X taking its values in R with probability density function $f_X(x)$, is defined by

$$H_X = - \int_R f(x) \ln f(x) dx,$$

where existence of the integral is one of our main conditions. Analytical expression for the entropy of univariate distributions are discussed in references such as Cover and Thomas (1991), Verdugo Lazo and Rathie (1978) and so on. Recently, Bercher and Vignat (2008) derived generalized Pareto distribution as the Renyi Tsallis maximum entropy under some constraints. This distribution is widely used in practice for modeling the tails of the distributions.

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In this paper, the entropy expression for Pareto (IV) distribution is given in section 2, entropy for the i^{th} order statistics of this distribution is given by section 3, and entropy expressions for Pareto-type (III), (II), (I) and i^{th} order statistics of these distributions corresponding to the random samples are discussed in section 4. The entropy expression of Burr (XII) distribution and i^{th} order statistics of it, is given in section 5.

2. Pareto (IV) distribution. A hierarchy Pareto distribution is established by starting with the classical Pareto (I) distribution. Extended version of it, is introducing additional parameters related to location, scale, shape and inequality (Gini index) via the Pareto (IV) distribution, as discussed in chapter 3 of Arnold (1983). Such an approach leads to a general family of distributions, called the Pareto (IV) family, with the cumulative distribution function,

$$(1) \quad F_X(x) = 1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha}, \quad x > \mu,$$

where $-\infty < \mu < +\infty$, $\theta > 0$, $\gamma > 0$ and $\alpha > 0$ are respectively, location parameter, scale parameter, inequality parameter and the shape parameter which characterizes the tail of the distribution. We denote this distribution as Pareto (IV) $(\mu, \theta, \gamma, \alpha)$. γ is called the inequality parameter because of its interpretation in the economics context. If we choose $\alpha = 1$ and $\mu = 0$ in expression (1), the parameter ($\gamma \leq 1$) is precisely the Gini index of the inequality. For the Pareto (IV) $(\mu, \theta, \gamma, \alpha)$ distribution, we have the density function as,

$$(2) \quad f_X(x) = \frac{\alpha \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1}}{\theta \gamma \left(1 + \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{\alpha+1}}, \quad x > \mu,$$

such that the entropy of this density can be found via :

$$(3) \quad H_X = - \int_x f(x) \ln f(x) dx = - \ln \left(\frac{\alpha}{\theta \gamma} \right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\gamma} \right) E \left[\ln \left(\frac{X-\mu}{\theta} \right) \right] + (\alpha + 1) E \left[\ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{X-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right) \right].$$

We need to find the expressions $E \left[\ln \left(\frac{X-\mu}{\theta} \right) \right]$ and $E \left[\ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{X-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right) \right]$.

First we calculate the expectation of

$$E \left[\left(\frac{X-\mu}{\theta} \right)^r \right] = \int_x \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\theta} \right)^r f(x) dx,$$

by using the change of variable,

$$1 + \left(\frac{X-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} = \frac{1}{1-t} \quad 0 < t < 1,$$

we obtain,

$$(4) \quad E \left[\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\theta} \right)^r \right] = \alpha \frac{\Gamma(r\gamma + 1)\Gamma(\alpha - r\gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}, \quad \alpha - r\gamma \neq 0, -1, -2, \dots$$

Differentiating both sides of (4) with respect to r leads to,

$$(5) \quad \frac{d}{dr} E \left[\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\theta} \right)^r \right] = E \left[\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\theta} \right)^r \ln \left(\frac{X - \mu}{\theta} \right) \right] \\ = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [\gamma \Gamma'(r\gamma + 1)\Gamma(\alpha - r\gamma) - \gamma \Gamma'(\alpha - r\gamma)\Gamma(r\gamma + 1)].$$

Using relation (5), and $r = 0$, we obtain,

$$(6) \quad E \left[\ln \left(\frac{X - \mu}{\theta} \right) \right] = \gamma [\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha)],$$

where Ψ is the digamma function that is defined by $\Psi(z) = \frac{d}{dz} \ln \Gamma(z)$ such that Γ is the gamma function.

Differentiating both sides of the following relation with respect to α ,

$$(7) \quad 1 = \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} f(x) dx,$$

leads to

$$(8) \quad E \left[\ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{X - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{\alpha}.$$

Substitute (6) and (8) in relation (3) implies that :

$$(9) \quad H_X = \ln \left(\frac{\gamma\theta}{\alpha} \right) + (\gamma - 1) [\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha)] + \frac{\alpha + 1}{\alpha}.$$

3. Entropy for Order Statistics. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample of the probability density function (2) and let $Y_{1:n} \leq Y_{2:n} \leq \dots \leq Y_{n-1:n} \leq Y_{n:n}$ denotes the corresponding order statistics; then

$$(10) \quad g_{i:n}(y) = n \binom{n-1}{i-1} [F_{i:n}(y)]^{i-1} [1 - F_{i:n}(Y)]^{n-i} f_X(y) \\ = \frac{n\alpha}{\theta\gamma} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1} \left(1 + \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha(n-i+1)-1} \\ \left[1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha} \right]^{i-1}, \quad y > \mu.$$

The entropy expression of the $g_{i:n}(y)$ is :

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{i:n}(Y) = & -\ln \left[\frac{n\alpha}{\theta\gamma} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \right] + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\gamma} \right) E \left[\ln \left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right) \right] \\
 & + [\alpha(n-i+1) + 1] E \left[\ln \left(1 + \frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right] + \\
 (11) \quad & (1-i) E \left[\ln \left(1 - \left(1 + \frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

We need to calculate the expressions of :

$$E \left[\ln \left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right) \right], \quad E \left[\ln \left(1 + \frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right]$$

and

$$E \left[\ln \left(1 - \left(1 + \frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha} \right],$$

by deriving based on the following statements. So, firstly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 E \left[\left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^r \right] &= \int_{\mu}^{\infty} \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^r g_{i:n}(y) dy = \\
 & \frac{n\alpha}{\theta\gamma} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \int_{\mu}^{\infty} \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma} + r - 1} \left(1 + \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha(n-i+1)-1} \\
 (12) \quad & \left[1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha} \right]^{i-1} dy,
 \end{aligned}$$

and on choosing $t = 1 + \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}$, $0 < t < 1$, we have :

$$\begin{aligned}
 E \left[\left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^r \right] &= n\alpha \binom{n-1}{i-1} \sum_{l=0}^{i-1} (-1)^l \binom{i-l}{l} \\
 (13) \quad & \frac{\Gamma(r\gamma + 1) \Gamma(-r\gamma + \alpha(n-i+1+l))}{\Gamma(1 + \alpha(n-i+1+l))}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating both sides of (13) with respect to r , and putting $r = 0$, we obtain :

$$\begin{aligned}
 E \left[\ln \left(\frac{Y-\mu}{\theta} \right) \right] &= n\alpha\gamma \binom{n-1}{i-1} \\
 (14) \quad & \sum_{l=0}^{i-1} (-1)^l \binom{i-1}{l} \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha(n-i+1+l))}{\alpha(n-i+1+l)} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Secondly,

$$(15) \quad \phi(r) = E \left[\left(1 + \left(\frac{Y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^r \right] = \frac{n\alpha}{\theta\gamma} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \int_{\mu}^{\infty} \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma} - 1} \left[\left(1 + \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{r - \alpha(n-i+1) - 1} \right] \left[1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha} \right]^{i-1} dy,$$

using the change of variable, $t = \left(1 + \left(\frac{y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha}$, $0 < t < 1$, we have,

$$(16) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi(r) &= n \binom{n-1}{i-1} \int_0^1 t^{n-i-\frac{r}{\gamma}} (1-t)^{i-1} dt \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(n-i-\frac{r}{\alpha}+1)}{\Gamma(n-i+1)\Gamma(n-\frac{r}{\alpha}+1)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(17) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{d\phi(r)}{dr} \Big|_{r=0} &= E \left[\ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{Y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(n-i+1)}{\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Thirdly, it can be shown that :

$$(18) \quad \begin{aligned} k(r) &= E \left[\ln \left(1 - \left(1 + \frac{Y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha} \right]^r \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(r+i)}{\Gamma(i)\Gamma(r+n+1)}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(19) \quad \frac{dk(r)}{dr} \Big|_{r=0} = E \left[\ln \left(1 - \left(1 + \frac{Y - \mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-\alpha} \right] = \Psi(i) - \Psi(n+1).$$

Putting from (14), (17) and (19) in relation (11) implies that,

$$(20) \quad \begin{aligned} H_{i:n}(Y) &= -\ln \left[\frac{n\alpha}{\theta\gamma} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \right] + (\gamma-1)n \binom{n-1}{i-1} \\ &\quad \sum_{l=0}^{i-1} (-1)^l \binom{i-1}{l} \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha(n-i+1+l))}{n-i+1+l} + [\alpha(n-i+1)+1] \right] \\ &\quad \left[\frac{\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(n-i+1)}{\alpha} \right] + (i-1) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(i)]. \end{aligned}$$

In particular cases,

$$(21) \quad \begin{aligned} H_{n:n}(Y) &= -\ln \left(\frac{n\alpha}{\theta\gamma} \right) + n(\gamma-1) \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^l \binom{n-1}{l} \\ &\quad \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha(1+l))}{1+l} \right] + \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \right) + \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha} \right) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(1)], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(22) \quad H_{1:n}(Y) = -\ln \left[\frac{n\alpha}{\theta^\gamma} \right] + (\gamma - 1) [\Psi(1) - \Psi(n\alpha)] = H_X(n\alpha).$$

Also, the entropy for median where $n = 2m + 1, i = m + 1$ is the following expression:

$$(23) \quad \begin{aligned} H_{m+1:n}(Y) = & -\ln \left[\frac{n\alpha}{\theta^\gamma} \binom{n-1}{m} \right] + (\gamma - 1)n \binom{n-1}{m} \\ & \sum_{l=0}^m (-1)^l \binom{m}{l} \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha(n-m+l))}{n-m+l} \right] + \\ & \left(\frac{\alpha(n-m)+1}{\alpha} \right) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(n-m)] + \\ & m [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(m+1)]. \end{aligned}$$

4. Pareto (III), (II) and (I) Distributions. By setting $\alpha = 1$ in relations (1) and (2), we obtain,

$$(24) \quad F_X(x) = 1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-1}, \quad x > \mu,$$

and

$$(25) \quad f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma\theta} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1} \left(1 - \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-2}, \quad x > \mu,$$

as the distribution function and the probability density function of the Pareto type (III) respectively. The probability density function of the i^{th} order statistics of the independent random variable with sample size n of the Pareto type (III) distribution is :

$$(26) \quad \begin{aligned} g_{i:n}(y) = & \frac{n}{\gamma\theta} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1} \left(1 + \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-(n-i+2)} \\ & \left[1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\theta} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \right)^{-1} \right]^{i-1}, \quad y > \mu, \end{aligned}$$

where its entropy expression is equal to :

$$\begin{aligned} H_{i:n}(Y) = & -\ln \left[\frac{n}{\gamma\theta} \binom{n-1}{i-1} \right] + (\gamma - 1)n \binom{n-1}{i-1} \\ & \sum_{l=0}^{i-1} (-1)^l \binom{i-1}{l} \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(n-i+l+1)}{n-i+l+1} \right] + \\ & (n-i+2) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(n-i+1)] + (i-1) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(i)]. \end{aligned}$$

In particular cases :

- If $i = 1$ and $i = n$, then we have,

$$(27) \quad H_{1:1}(Y) = -\ln\left(\frac{n}{\gamma\theta}\right) + (\gamma - 1)[\Psi(1) - \Psi(n)] = H_X(\alpha = n),$$

and

$$H_{n:n}(Y) = -\ln\left(\frac{n}{\gamma\theta}\right) + n(\gamma - 1) \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^l \binom{n-1}{l} \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(l+1)}{l+1} \right] + 2[\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(1)] + \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right),$$

respectively.

The best known Pareto distributions are types (II) and (I). A Pareto distribution of type (II) is obtained by setting $\gamma = 1$ in relation (1) with the entropy $H_X = \ln\left(\frac{\theta}{\alpha}\right) + \frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha}$. The corresponding entropy expression for the i^{th} order statistics of this distribution is obtained by setting $\gamma = 1$ in relation (20) as :

$$H_{i:n}(Y) = -\ln\left[\frac{n\alpha}{\theta}\right] + [\alpha(n-i+1) + 1] \left[\frac{\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(n-i+1)}{\alpha} \right] + (i-1)[\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(i)].$$

In particular cases :

- The entropy of order statistics for $i = n$ and $i = 1$ are as following :

$$(28) \quad H_{n:n} = -\ln\left(\frac{n\alpha}{\theta}\right) + \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha(1+l))}{1+l} \right] + \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right) + \left(\frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha}\right) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(1)],$$

$$H_{1:n}(Y) = \ln\left(\frac{\theta}{n\alpha}\right) + \frac{n\alpha+1}{n\alpha} = H_X(n\alpha), \text{ respectively.}$$

If one sets $\gamma = 1$ and $\mu = \theta$ in relation (1), then one gets a Pareto distribution of type (I). Since the entropy expression of the Pareto family does not depend on location parameter μ , one finds that the entropy of Pareto(II) and Pareto(I) and the entropy of their i^{th} order statistics are equal.

5. Burr (XII) Distribution. This distribution is a special case of Pareto (IV) with $\mu = 0$, and replacing γ by $\frac{1}{\gamma}$ in relations (1) and (2), where

$$(29) \quad F_X(x) = 1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^\gamma\right)^{-\alpha}, \quad x > 0, \quad \alpha, \gamma > 0,$$

$$(30) \quad f_X(x) = \left(\frac{\alpha\gamma}{\theta}\right) \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{\gamma-1} \left(1 + \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^\gamma\right)^{-(\alpha+1)}, \quad x > 0, \quad \alpha, \gamma > 0,$$

are the cumulative distribution and the probability density function of Burr type (XII) distribution. By replacing γ by $\frac{1}{\gamma}$ in relation (9) the entropy expression of Burr type (XII) distribution is

$$(31) \quad H_X = \ln\left(\frac{\theta}{\alpha\gamma}\right) + (\gamma - 1) \left[\frac{\Psi(\alpha) - \Psi(1)}{\gamma} \right] + \left(\frac{\alpha + 1}{\alpha}\right),$$

and

$$(32) \quad H_{i:n}(Y) = -\ln\left[\frac{\alpha\gamma}{\theta} n \binom{n-1}{i-1}\right] + (\gamma - 1)n \binom{n-1}{i-1} \sum_{l=0}^{i-1} (-1)^l \binom{i-1}{l} \\ \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha(n-i+1+l))}{\gamma(n-i+1+l)} \right] + [\alpha(n-i+1) + 1] \\ \left[\frac{\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(n-i+1)}{\alpha} \right] + (i-1) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(i)],$$

is the entropy expression of the i^{th} order statistics corresponding to the sample size n of this distribution.

In particular case,

$$H_{n:n}(Y) = -\ln\left(\frac{n\alpha\gamma}{\theta}\right) + (\gamma - 1)n \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (-1)^l \binom{n-1}{l} \\ \left[\frac{\Psi(1) - \Psi(\alpha(1+l))}{\gamma(1+l)} \right] + \left(\frac{\alpha + 1}{\alpha}\right) [\Psi(n+1) - \Psi(1)] + \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right),$$

and $H_{1:n}(Y) = H_X(n\alpha)$.

REMARK 5.1. When $Y = w(X)$ is an invertible function of X , then $H_Y = H_X$ in the discrete case, and under some mild conditions, $H_Y = H_X + E(\ln |w'(X)|)$, in the continuous case. It is obvious that $w(x) = ax + b$ simplifies it to $H_Y = H_X + \ln |a|$. Using this idea may help in finding the entropy of the transformation of the random variables via the formula that is mentioned. In some few cases may find the results easier.

6. Conclusions. In this paper, we obtained the exact form of the entropy expression for Pareto (IV) and related distributions and the entropy for i^{th} order statistics of these distributions corresponding to the independent random samples size n . Obtaining entropy expression for members of the Burr family in addition to Burr (XII) and i^{th} order statistics of them is the future of this work.

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