

# On a general class of modified gamma approximating operators <sup>1</sup>

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## Abstract

By using the generalized gamma distribution we shall define the general modified gamma transform  $\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a,b)}$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  from which we obtain as a special case both general modified gamma operators of the first and second kind. We obtain generalization of a several positive linear operator, as a special case of this general gamma operators.

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# 1 Introduction

In this paper we continue our earlier investigations [5], [6], [7], [8], [9] concerning to use Euler's gamma distribution for constructing linear positive operators.

In probability theory and statistics, the gamma distribution (G) is a two parameters family of continuous probability distribution. The probability density function (p.d.f.) of the gamma distribution can be expressed in terms of the gamma function parametrized in terms of a shape parameter  $\alpha$  and an inverse scale parameter  $\beta = 1/\theta$ , called a rate parameter

$$(1) \quad G(t; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} t^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta t} \text{ for } t > 0 \text{ and } \alpha, \beta > 0.$$

The Weibull distribution (named after Naloddi Weibull) is a continuous probability distribution given by

$$(2) \quad W(t; \beta, \gamma) = \gamma \beta^\gamma t^{\gamma-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma} \text{ for } t > 0,$$

where  $\gamma > 0$  is the shape parameter and  $\beta > 0$  is a rate parameter.

The most general form of the gamma distribution is the generalized gamma distribution (GG). It was introduced by Stacy and Mihran [12], [13], in order to combine the power of two distribution: the gamma distribution (1) and the Weibull distribution (2).

The generalized gamma distribution is a three-parameter distribution, with the probability density function (p.d.f.) given by

$$(3) \quad GG(t; \alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \frac{\gamma \beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} t^{\alpha-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma}$$

for  $t > 0$ , where  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\gamma > 0$  are shape parameter and  $\beta > 0$  is rate parameter.

The moments of (3) can be shown to be

$$(4) \quad E_{GG}(t^k) = \beta^k \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + k/\gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}.$$

The generalized gamma distribution is a flexible distribution and it includes as special cases several distributions: the exponential distribution, the gamma distribution, the half normal distribution, the Levy distribution, the Weibull distribution and the log-normal distribution in limit case ( $\alpha$  tends to infinity). For more details for the generalized gamma distribution see also [1], [2], [3].

The generalized beta distribution (*GB*) was introduced by J.B. McDonald and Y.J. Xu [4]. It is five-parameter distribution, with the probability density function (p.d.f.) given by

$$(5) \quad GB(t; \gamma, c, d, p, q) = \frac{t^{\gamma p-1} (1 - (1-c)(t/d)^\gamma)^{q-1}}{d^{\gamma p} B(p, q) (1 + c(t/d)^\gamma)^{p+q}}$$

for  $0 < t^\gamma < d^\gamma/(1-c)$  and zero otherwise, with  $0 \leq c \leq 1$  and  $\gamma, d, p, q$ , positive,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^*$ .

The moments of (5) can be shown to be [4]

$$(6) \quad E_{GB}(t^k) = d^k \frac{B(p + k/\gamma, q)}{B(p, q)} {}_2F_1 \left( \begin{matrix} p + \frac{k}{\gamma}, \frac{k}{\gamma} \\ p + q + \frac{k}{\gamma} \end{matrix}; c \right)$$

where  ${}_2F_1$  denotes the hypergeometric series which converges for all  $k$  if  $c < 1$ , or for  $k\gamma < q$  if  $c = 1$ . Substituting  $k = 0$  into (6) verifies that (5) integrates to one.

The generalized beta distribution (*GB*) includes the generalized beta of the first kind (*GB1*) and the generalized beta of the second kind (*GB2*), corresponding to  $c = 0$  and  $c = 1$ , (see [4]).

The generalized gamma is a limiting case of *GB*, a.e.

$$(7) \quad GG(t; \alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} GB \left( t; \gamma, c, d = \frac{1}{\beta} q^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}, \alpha, q \right).$$

Hence, the generalized beta includes generalized gamma as a limiting case for all admissible values of  $c$ . We obtain by (6)

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} E_{GG}(t^k) &= \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} E_{GB}(t^k) \\ &= \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \frac{q^{\frac{k}{\gamma}} \beta^k B(\alpha + k/\gamma, q)}{B(\alpha, q)} = \beta^k \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + k/\gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

By using the generalized gamma distribution we shall define the general modified gamma transform  $\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)}$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  from which we obtain as a special case both general modified gamma operators of the first and second kind. We obtain generalization of a several positive linear operator, as a special case of this general gamma operators.

## 2 The general modified gamma transform

By using (3) we define the general modified gamma transform of a function  $f$

$$(9) \quad \Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)} f = \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha\gamma-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma} f(ct^a e^{-bt^\gamma}) dt$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0$ ;  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $f \in L_{1,loc}(0, \infty)$  such that  $\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)} |f| < \infty$ .

We determine  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)} e_1 = e_1$ , that is

$$c = \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{\alpha + a/\gamma}}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)x}{\Gamma(\alpha + a/\gamma)}$$

and we obtain from (9) the  $(a, b)$ -general modified gamma operators

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} & (\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)} f)(x) \\ &= \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha\gamma-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma} f \left( \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{\alpha + a/\gamma}}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha + a/\gamma)} t^\alpha e^{-bt^\gamma} x \right) dt. \end{aligned}$$

One observe that  $\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)}$  is a positive linear operator.

**Theorem 1** *The moment of order  $k$  of the operator  $\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)}$  has the following value*

$$(11) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)} e_k)(x) = \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{k(\alpha + a/\gamma)}}{(\beta\gamma + kb)^{\alpha + ka/\gamma}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + ka/\gamma) \Gamma^{k-1}(\alpha)}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + a/\gamma)} \cdot \frac{x^k}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma(k-1)}}.$$

**Proof.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} & (\Gamma_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}^{(a, b)} e_k)(x) \\ &= \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\gamma\alpha-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma} \left( \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{\alpha + a/\gamma} \Gamma(\alpha)}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha + a/\gamma)} t^\alpha e^{-bt^\gamma} x \right)^k dt \\ &= \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\gamma\alpha-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma} \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{k(\alpha + a/\gamma)}}{\beta^{k\alpha\gamma}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma^k(\alpha)}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + a/\gamma)} t^{ka} e^{-kbt^\gamma} x^k dt \\ &= \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{k(\alpha + a/\gamma)}}{\beta^{k\alpha\gamma}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma^k(\alpha) x^k}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + a/\gamma)} \int_0^\infty t^{\gamma\alpha + ka - 1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma - kbt^\gamma} dt \\ &= \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{k(\alpha + a/\gamma)}}{\beta^{k\alpha\gamma}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma^k(\alpha) x^k}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + a/\gamma)} \int_0^\infty t^{\gamma(\alpha + \frac{ka}{\gamma}) - 1} e^{-((\beta\gamma + kb)^{1/\gamma} t)^\gamma} dt \\ &= \gamma \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{k(\alpha + a/\gamma)}}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma(k-1)}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma^{k-1}(\alpha) x^k}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + a/\gamma)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + ka/\gamma)}{(\beta\gamma + kb)^{\alpha + \frac{ka}{\gamma}}} \cdot \frac{1}{\gamma} \\ &= \frac{(\beta\gamma + b)^{\alpha + a/\gamma}}{(\beta\gamma + kb)^{\alpha + \frac{ka}{\gamma}}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + ka/\gamma) \Gamma^{k-1}(\alpha)}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + a/\gamma)} \cdot \frac{x^k}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma(k-1)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, we obtain

$$(12) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a,b)} e_2)(x) = \frac{(\beta^\gamma + b)^{2(\alpha+a/\gamma)}}{(\beta^\gamma + 2b)^{\alpha+\frac{2a}{\gamma}}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 2a/\gamma)}{\Gamma^2(\alpha + a/\gamma)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)x^k}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}$$

and

$$(13) \quad \Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a,b)}((t-x)^2; x) \\ = \frac{(\beta^\gamma + b)^{2(\alpha+a/\gamma)}\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + 2a/\gamma) - \beta^{\alpha\gamma}(\beta^\gamma + 2b)^{\alpha+\frac{2a}{\gamma}}\Gamma^2(\alpha + a/\gamma)}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}(\beta^\gamma + 2b)\alpha + 2a/\gamma\Gamma^2(\alpha + a/\gamma)} \cdot x^2.$$

### 3 The modified gamma first kind operators

If we put in (10)  $b = 0$  we obtain the general modified gamma first kind operators

$$(14) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a)} f)(x) = \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha\gamma-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma} f\left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha)(\beta t)^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha + a/\gamma)} x\right) dt$$

or equivalent

$$(15) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a)} f)(x) = \frac{\gamma}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty u^{\alpha\gamma-1} e^{-u^\gamma} f\left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha)u^\alpha x}{\Gamma(\alpha + a/\gamma)}\right) du$$

where  $f \in L_{1,loc}(0, \infty)$  such that  $\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a)}|f| < \infty$ .

We observe that  $\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a)}$  does not depend on  $\beta$  and we may consider  $\beta = 1$ .

**Corollary 1** *The moment of order  $k$  of the operator  $\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a)}$  has the following value*

$$(16) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(a)} e_k)(x) = \frac{\Gamma^{k-1}(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + ka/\gamma)}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + a/\gamma)} x^k.$$

**Proof.** The result follows from (11) for  $b = 0$ .

Consequently, we obtain

$$(17) \quad \Gamma_{\alpha,\gamma}^{(a)}((t-x)^2) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + 2a/\gamma)}{\Gamma^2(\alpha + a/\gamma)}x^2.$$

For  $\gamma = 1$  we obtain the modified gamma first kind operators (see [9]) and for  $\alpha = 1$  we obtain the modified Weibull first kind operators (see [11]).

### Special cases

**Case 1.** If we consider  $a = 1$  in (15) we obtain the modified gamma first kind operator

$$(18) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\gamma}f)(x) = \frac{\gamma}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha\gamma-1} e^{-t^\gamma} f\left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha)tx}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1/\gamma)}\right) dt.$$

**Corollary 2** *The moment of order  $k$  of the operator  $\Gamma_{\alpha,\gamma}$  has the following value*

$$(19) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\gamma}e_k)(x) = \frac{\Gamma^{k-1}(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + k/\gamma)}{\Gamma^k(\alpha + 1/\gamma)}x^k.$$

**Proof.** The result follows from (16) for  $a = 1$ .

We deduce

$$(20) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\gamma}e_2)(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + 2/\gamma)}{\Gamma^2(\alpha + 1/\gamma)}x^2,$$

$$\Gamma_{\alpha,\gamma}((t-x)^2; x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha + 2/\gamma) - \Gamma^2(\alpha + 1/\gamma)}{\Gamma^2(\alpha + 1/\gamma)}x^2.$$

If we choose  $\alpha = n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  in (18) then we obtain the generalization of the Post-Wider positive linear operator defined for  $f \in L_{1,loc}(0, \infty)$  by (see [9])

$$(21) \quad (P_{n,\gamma}f)(x) = \frac{\gamma}{\Gamma(n)} \int_0^\infty t^{\gamma n-1} e^{-t^\gamma} f\left(\frac{\Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(n + 1/\gamma)}tx\right) dt.$$

If we replace  $\alpha = nx$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  in (18) then we obtain the generalization of the Rathore positive linear operator defined for  $f \in L_{1,loc}(0, \infty)$  by (see [9])

$$(22) \quad (R_{n,\gamma}f)(x) = \frac{\gamma}{\Gamma(nx)} \int_0^\infty t^{\gamma nx-1} e^{-t^\gamma} f\left(\frac{\Gamma(nx)tx}{\Gamma(nx+1/\gamma)}\right) dt$$

**Case 2.** If we replace  $a = -1$  in (15) we obtain the modified gamma operator

$$(23) \quad (\tilde{\Gamma}_{\alpha,\gamma}f)(x) = \frac{\gamma}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha\gamma-1} e^{-t^\gamma} f\left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha-1/\gamma)} \cdot \frac{x}{t}\right) dt.$$

**Corollary 3** *The moment of order  $k$  of the operator  $\tilde{\Gamma}_{\alpha,\gamma}$  has the following value*

$$(24) \quad (\tilde{\Gamma}_{\alpha,\gamma}e_k)(x) = \frac{\Gamma^{k-1}(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha-k/\gamma)}{\Gamma^k(\alpha-1/\gamma)} x^k, \quad 0 \leq k < \alpha\gamma.$$

**Proof.** The result follows from (16) for  $a = -1$ .

We obtain

$$(\tilde{\Gamma}_{\alpha,\gamma}e_2)(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha-2/\gamma)}{\Gamma^2(\alpha-1/\gamma)} x^2$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{\alpha,\gamma}((t-x)^2; x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\alpha-2/\gamma) - \Gamma^2(\alpha-1/\gamma)}{\Gamma^2(\alpha-1/\gamma)} x^2.$$

For  $\alpha = n+1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we obtain the generalization of the operator introduced and studied by A. Lupaş and M. Müller

$$(G_{n,\gamma}f)(x) = \frac{\gamma}{\Gamma(n+1)} \int_0^\infty t^{(n+1)\gamma-1} e^{-t^\gamma} f\left(\frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(n+1-1/\gamma)} \cdot \frac{x}{t}\right) dt.$$



## 4 The modified gamma second kind operators

If we choose in (10)  $a = 0$  then we obtain the modified gamma second kind operators

$$(25) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(b)} f)(x) = \gamma \frac{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha\gamma-1} e^{-(\beta t)^\gamma} f\left(\left(\frac{\beta^\gamma + b}{\beta^\gamma}\right)^\alpha e^{-bt^\gamma} x\right) dt$$

where  $f \in L_{1,loc}(0, \infty)$  such that  $\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(b)} |f| < \infty$ .

**Corollary 4** *The moment of order  $k$  of the operator  $\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(b)}$  has the following value*

$$(26) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(b)} e_k)(x) = \frac{(\beta^\gamma + b)^{k\alpha}}{(\beta^\gamma + kb)^\alpha} \cdot \frac{x^k}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma(k-1)}}.$$

**Proof.** The result follows from (11) for  $a = 0$ .

Consequently, we obtain

$$(27) \quad (\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(b)} e_2)(x) = \frac{(\beta^\gamma + b)^{2\alpha}}{(\beta^\gamma + 2b)^\alpha} \cdot \frac{x^2}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}}$$

$$(28) \quad \Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^{(b)}((t-x)^2; x) = \frac{(\beta^\gamma + b)^{2\alpha} - \beta^{\alpha\gamma}(\beta^\gamma + 2b)^\alpha}{\beta^{\alpha\gamma}(\beta^\gamma + 2b)^\alpha} \cdot x^2.$$

For  $\gamma = 1$  we obtain the modified gamma second kind operators (see [9]) and for  $\alpha = 1$  we obtain the modified Weibull second kind operators (see [11]).

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