

On a logarithmic integral and order statistics of the Weibull-geometric distribution[†]

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SUMMARY

For any $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and any real numbers $a > -1$, $s \geq 1$ and $z > -1$, we show that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{u^a \log^{s-1}(1/u)}{(1+zu)^{n+1}} du = \frac{\Gamma(s)}{\Gamma(n+1)} \sum_{j=0}^n R_n^j(a-n+1, 1) \Phi(-z, s-j, a+1),$$

where Φ denotes the Lerch transcendent function and R_n^j denotes the generalized Stirling numbers of the first kind (cf. Mitrinović [4]). In particular, for $a = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, $s \geq 1$ and $z \in (-1, 0) \cup (0, \infty)$, we also prove the following

$$\int_0^1 \frac{u^a \log^{s-1}(1/u)}{(1+zu)^{n+1}} du = \frac{\Gamma(s)}{(-z)^{a+1} \Gamma(n+1)} \sum_{j=1}^n R_n^j(a-n+1, 1) \text{Li}_{s-j}(-z),$$

where Li stands for the polylogarithm function. These results extend those of Medina and Moll [3].

As a consequence of the above results, we provide explicit expressions for the non-central moments of the order statistics from the Weibull-geometric distribution (cf. Barreto-Souza et al. [1] and also Jodrá and Jiménez-Gamero [2]), which is a generalization of the exponential-geometric distribution.

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