

VaR and the Pareto distribution

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Exercise 1.5 Let S be a Pareto random variable with probability density function:

$$f(s \mid \beta) = \frac{\beta}{s^{\beta+1}} \mathbb{1}_{\{s > 1\}}$$

with parameter $\beta > 0$. Then for any given $0 < \alpha < 1$ there exists a $\beta > 1$ such that $\mathbb{E}(S) > \text{VaR}_\alpha(S)$.

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S = Distributions.Pareto{Float64}(α=1.0527, θ=1.0)
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VaR of level $\alpha =$ 0.95

$\beta =$ 1.0527

