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## DETERMINING THE FUNCTIONS OF DEPENDENCE BETWEEN QUALITY OF LIFE AND GDP

Abstract: In this paper, the appropriate form of the function which describes the dependence of the quality of life and gross domestic product (GDP) in developing countries is determined. A method for determining a regression curve based on matehemetical statistic approach is presented.

Keywords: quality of life level, GDP, mathematical statistic approach

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Evaluation and management of quality of life (QoL) is an interesting research topic in different research domains. Quality of life depends on different factors, such as economic factors, social networks and communication, culture, all political stability, etc.

Many researchers believe that GDP is the most important economic factors affecting the QoL. There are many methodologies for determination of GDP impact on QoL level. The most commonly used are experimental methods. Accuracy of results obtained in this way depends on the choice of sample, method of measurement, accuracy of processing the measurements results, etc. Although, with all the limitations of the experimental method, it can be argued that the results obtained in this way are generally satisfactory accurate [1]. It can be mentioned that experimental methods require hiring a lot of people that induces high costs of research.

The aim of this paper is to describe dependence of the quality of life level from GDP by appling analitical function. Behavioral testing tool can determine the value of GDP at which it achieves the highest level of QoL [2].

Determination of analytic functions is based on regression analysis. The values of the parameters of this function are based on the method of least squares. Accuracy of regression model is tested by using the techniques of variance analysis [3].

The paper is organized as follows: in

Chapter 2 data used in the problem are presented. In Chapter 3 an illustrative example is shows. While, in the fourth chapter conclusions are provided.

#### 2. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Determination of analytic functions which describes the dependence of QoL and level of GDP is realized through the steps that are further described.

Step 1. The quality of life is measured through The Happly Planet Index (HPI). HPI is a measure of overall life satisfaction. HPI consists of: individual satisfaction, life expectancy and environmental footprint. Individual life satisfaction has components: a positive impact, the negative impact and satisfaction with life. Life expectancy at birth can be calculated taking into account the genetic predisposition and the living conditions in the country as well as respecting the mortality rate taking into account all stages of life of people in the country [4]. Environmental impact is measured by the amount of food consumed, the degree of pollution of air, water and soil. In many surveys over world countries are ranked according to HPI values. In this paper, respecting the results of these researches, expert teams assessed the quality of life according to a standard measuring scale. A value of 1 means that the value of QoL is the smallest, and opposite value of 9 means that the value of QoL is the highest within the population in the considered СІР - Каталогизација у публикацији -Народна библиотека Србије, Београд

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