

COST ANALYSIS OF MINI HYDRO POWER PLANT USING BACTERIAL SWARM OPTIMIZATION

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According to the 2023 vision determined by Turkey, which is one of the G20 countries, it aims to evaluate of the hydro power potential in terms of technical and economic making medium and large hydro power plants. Turkey's mini and micro hydro power potential isn't fully evaluated as a number of countries. In this context, empirical formula for cost analysis of mini and micro hydro power plants, which are becoming increasingly important, have been developed in this work with the aim of facilitating economic analysis. The developed equation is found by modified Bacterial Swarm Optimization (BSO) algorithm. When analyzed with the literature data, the obtained equation can calculate the costs with the least mistakes.

Key words: Cost of Mini and Micro Hydropower, Pelton Turbine, Bacterial Swarm Optimization

1. Introduction

Energy has an important role in global and socio-economic development. Today, the need for energy has increased because of the growing amount of energy used in industry, housing and agricultural activities. Energy demand is often met by conventional methods based on fossil fuels. The reduction and harmful effects on the environment of fossil fuel resources have led to sustainable and environmentally friendly energy sources.

This situation is an important criterion for the investment decision of the mini scale hydro power plant. Construction works and electro-mechanical equipments constitute a large part of the investment costs of small and mini hydro power plants. The cost of the construction work can be reasonable estimated based on the design drawings. However, the cost calculations of electro-mechanical equipment can differ from. Taking these into consideration, it is possible to make an investment decision by realistic estimation of the cost calculations of electro-mechanical equipments.

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Mishra made cost estimates using three methods (sigma algorithm, linest method and logest method) for river-type small-scale hydro power plants using power and energy parameters [1]. Cavazzini calculated the investment cost of very mini and micro hydro power plants using power, head and flow parameters for mechanical and electrical equipment costs [2]. Carapelluci examined in terms of economic, technical and potential the mini-scale hydro power plants located in the Abruzzo region of Italy [3]. Elbatran has examined low-power hydro power plants in terms of performance, operation and costs [5]. Aggdis developed new formulas to estimate power generation of small-scale hydropower plant based on local and physical characteristics of the region with empirical formulas [6]. In [7], the series of equations that determine the cost from basic parameters such as power and drop were developed and applied to the most common turbine varieties under 2 MW, pelton, francis, kaplan and semi-kaplan [7]. Signal has attempted to develop correlations for small scale hydro power plants projects [8]. In [9], the cost analysis of renewal of mini and small-scale hydro power plants examined [9]. Filho made a cost estimate using the appearance factor in a mini and small scale hydro power plant [10]. In these studies, heuristic optimization methods have been substantially used [1-19]. Heuristic optimization methods are often used to solve problems that the solution space is not determined [12-14]. Heuristic methods have been used especially for solving many problems of power systems [15-19].

215 TWh/year of Turkey's technical hydropower potential was adopted, but this value was last expressed at around 250 TWh/year [19]. Thus, the economic hydroelectric potential is estimated to be 141 TWh/year [20]. In the case of evaluation of miniand microhydro power plants (HPP), this potential will be 180-200 TWh/year [19]. The small, mini and micro HPP is foreseen to be a value close to 15% of Turkey's economically feasible power potential, and thus this potential would have a capacity of around 22 TWh / year based on the 141 TWh/year approach and around 29 TWh / year based on the 193 TWh/year approach but the exact results are not yet clear [21-23].

When the effects of global warming on Turkey taken into consideration, technical and economic potential of hydro power of Turkey's need to be reassessed and not only the average potential but also the variable potential taken into consideration. According to the 25-and-50-year perspective scenario, our country are reported to changes in rainfall regimes. [23-26]. In particular, it is expected that the amount of rainfall in the Black Sea region will increase. It is seen that this region with high hydraulic energy potential can now be considered as a small HPP even the lowest flow areas at the present time in energy production by taking more rainfall. The Pelton turbines, which have low specific speed and feasibility in low flow, high head region, will mostly be preferred in the black sea region which has a great slope.

In this work carried out in this context, the mini hydropower plants with Pelton type turbine in Italy, which has a geographical characteristic very close to the Black Sea region has been developed the cost function related to the cost of electro-mechanical equipment. The cost function is obtained by Bacterial Swarm Optimization (BSO), which is widely known in literature and is the hybrid structure of Partial Swarm and Bacterial Foraging Optimization algorithms, modified by the authors. The organization of the paper is as follows. In the first section, a general introduction was made and information was given on the subject. In the second section, the works and functions related to the extraction of cost calculations of hydro power plants and their cost charts are given. In the third section,



information and application about the modified BSO are briefly given. The results obtained were compared with the literature results. In the last section, the results were evaluated.

2. Hydropower and Plant Costs

The pressure generated by water with a certain height in hydro power plants is first converted into mechanical energy. This energy expression is given in equation (1) [1].

$$P = \tau. \rho. g. Q. H \tag{1}$$

Where, *P* is the mechanical power converted at the turbine shaft (W), τ is the efficiency of the turbine, ρ is the density of water (kg/m³), g is the gravity coefficient (m/s²), Q is the water flow (m³/s), and h is the head of water (m).

Hydraulic turbines are the machines that turn the water flow energy into mechanic energy with the help of revolving wheels. Hydraulic turbines, which have been simply used for centuries, have been manufactured for about 150 years. Simple and small powerful water turbines developed by Fourneyron, Jonval, Henschel, Schwamkruo, Zuppinger etc. were made very quickly in the 19th century and the electricity generated by generators driven by water turbines was transported to the consumption areas in distant places by the energy transmission line made by Oscar von Miller in 1891. The transmission of the electric energy obtained from the water turbines to the distant distances with the help of the energy transmission lines has enabled the establishment of the larger and more powerful HPPs which are working in parallel with each other. However, hydraulic turbines, which can be made the automatic load-frequency adjustment, have started to spread from the 1920s. Such turbines are now widely used, and the yields of today's large powerful hydraulic turbines have increased values between 93% and 97%.

In order to understand hydraulic turbines, some of the topics used in size calculations need to be expressed. The most important of these is the Specific Speed.

There are two different definitions and accounts of the concept of Specific Speed. These; The wheel working as H=1 m and Q=1 m³/s, (*H* head, Q discharge) is the number of revolutions n_q . In practice, The n_s specific speed, which is the number of revolutions of a model turbine rotor, which is geometrically similar to the actual turbine rotor to be produced and give $N_h = 1$ BG power for H = 1 m useful hydraulic head, is used. Both n_q and n_s specific speed of revolutions constitute the basis for the turbine project together with the selection of the hydraulic turbine type and the hydraulic turbine's project values which is Q_n , H_n ve n_n values.

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Turbines		Specific Speed (<i>n_q</i>)							
Pelton		1-30							
Turgo		20-70							
Cross-Flow		20-130							
Francis		80-400							
Propeller	or	240 1000							
Kaplan		340-1000							

Table 1. Specific Speed of Hydraulic Turbine Types

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$$n_q = n \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\theta}}{\sqrt[4]{H^3}}$$
(2)

$$n_s = n \cdot \frac{\sqrt{N_h}}{\sqrt[4]{H^5}} \tag{3}$$

$$n = n_s \frac{H_n^{\frac{5}{4}}}{P^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$
 (dev/dk.) (4)

 H_n : Net Head (m), P: Turbine power (BG), n_s : Turbine Specific Speed (rotations per minute, rmp)

After the n_s specific speed is selected, a synchronous speed suitable for the system is selected. The synchronous speed of the generator is as follows.

$$n_s = \frac{60.F}{P} \tag{5}$$

The speeds that can be selected in an AC system with 50 Hz frequency are; 3000, 1500, 1000, 750, 600, 500, 375, 300, 250, 214, 188, 167, 150, 125, 107, 94, 75, 60.

The most important factor in deciding on the maximum permissible head, the ratio of the number of wings on the wheel B/D (B is the height of the mouth that gives water to the wheel, D is the diameter of the wheel), the expected yield, the operating condition and other information is the knowledge of the value of n_q If n_q is large, the probability of cavitation is high.



Turbines	Hnet>100m	20>Hnet>100m	5>Hnet>20m	5>Hnet	
Impulse	Pelton	Cross-Flow	Cross-Flow	water	
	Turgo	Turgo	Multi-Jet Pelton	wheel	
		Multi-Jet Pelton			
Reaction	-	Francis	Propeller	Propeller	
		Pump as Turbine	Kaplan	Kaplan	
		(PaT)			

Table 2. Classification of turbines according to Net Head

Hydraulic Turbines are classified as Impulse type or reaction type. Action turbines are also referred to as injection turbines and the Pelton turbine is one of them. Small powerful Pelton turbines are manufactured with horizontal axis and single-two injector (sprayer- nozzle). Pelton turbines are produced as a result of complex calculations and model experiments like many hydraulic machines. The general appearance of turbine is given in Figure 1.

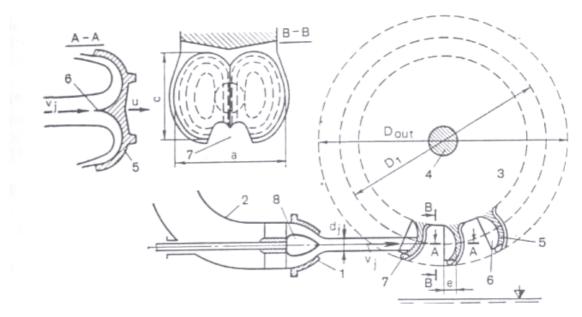


Figure 1. Pelton Turbine



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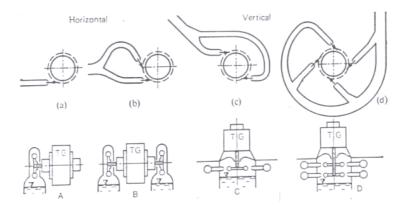


Figure 2. Pelton turbines types

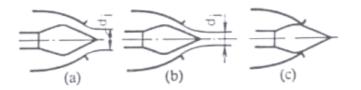


Figure 3. Adjustment of water jet speed with nozzles and needles

Hydro power plants are classified as micro (100 kW and below), mini (101 kW and 2000 kW) and small (2001 kW and 25000 kW) according to their power [1]. The costs of electro-mechanical equipment constitute approximately 30% to 40% of the total budget the approximate distribution is given in Figure 4 [5].

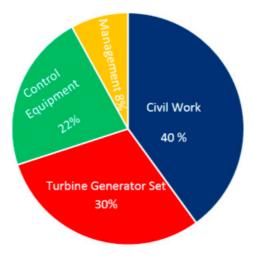


Figure 2. Cost of mini hydro power plants



Many analytical methods of correlation have been proposed for cost accounting of electromechanical equipment from past to present day. One of these is given in equation (6).

 $Cost = a \cdot P^b \cdot H^c + d$

(6)

In the equation a, b and c are constant coefficients, P is power (kW), H is gross heat (m). The analytical correlation expressions proposed in the literature are given in Table 1.

Table 3. Electromechanical cost estimate table of small scale hydro power plants in literature

Cost Function	Year	Authors
$Cost [\$] = 9000 . P^{0.7} . H^{-0.35}$	1979	Gordon and
	1979	Penman
$Cost [\$] = 97436 . P^{0.53} . H^{-0.53}$	1979	Lasu and Persson
$Cost [\$] = 9600 . P^{0.82} . H^{-0.35}$	1984	Gulliver and Dotan
Spec.Cost $[^{k}/_{kW}] = 31500 \cdot P^{0.25} \cdot H^{-0.75}$	1998	Whittington et al.
$Cost [\$] = 40000 . P^{0.70} . H^{-0.35}$	2000	Voros et al.
Spec. Cost $\left[\frac{\text{e}}{kW} \right] = 1000 \cdot (34.12 + 16.99 \cdot P^{0.91} \cdot H^{-0.14})$	2000	Chenal
$Cost \ [\bullet] = 20570 \ . P^{0.70} \ . \ H^{-0.35}$	2001	Papantonis
Spect. Cost $[\$/_{kW}] = 12900 \cdot P^{0.82} \cdot H^{-0.246}$	2003	Gordon
Spect. Cost $\left[\frac{\epsilon}{kW} \right] = 3300 \cdot P^{-0.122} \cdot H^{-0.107}$	2005	Kaldellis
Spect. Cost $\left[\frac{\epsilon}{kW}\right] = 17693 \cdot P^{-0.3644725} \cdot H^{-0.281735}$	2009	Ogayar and Vidal
<i>Cost</i> [€] = 12000 . ($P/H^{0.2}$) ^{0.56}	2010	Aggidis et al.
Cost [€] = $1358678. H^{0.014} + 8490. Q^{0.515} + 3382. P^{0.416}$ - 1479160	2016	Cavazzini et al.

Aggidis et al., who make detailed cost analysis of small and very small HPPs, examined the subject using empirical formulas [6]. This study was carried out in 2010 and the formulas were obtained by examining the costs of the plants established as of 2008. The following equations are obtained by converting to TL according to the time of the study. Where P is power in kW, H_n is net drop in m, Q is flow in m^3/s .

The total project cost of the mini and micro HPP, as a function of power and net drop are as follows;





$C_{Pr} = 72500. (P/H^{0,35})^{0,65}$ for 2< Hn <30	(7)
$C_{Pr} = 131950. (P/H^{0,3})^{0,6}$ for $30 \le H_n \le 200$	(8)

When Equations 7 and 8 are plotted against the working zone of the mini and micro HPP, the change in Figure 5 is obtained.

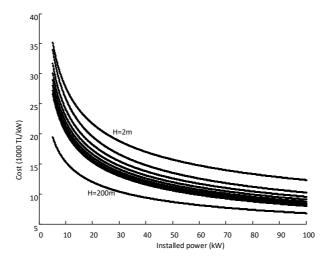


Figure 5. Electromechanical costs of mini and micro HPP according to installed power

The empirical formulas that are the function of power and net drop, derived from the cost data of the major electromechanical producers (Alstom, Andritz, Gilbert Gilkes & Gordon Ltd, NHT and Voith Siemens) in the world in 2000 and 2008 are as follows;

$$C_{EM} = 20570. (P^{0,7}/H^{0,35}) \quad (2000) \tag{9}$$

$$C_{EM} = 34800. (P/H^{0,2})^{0,65} \quad (2008) \tag{10}$$

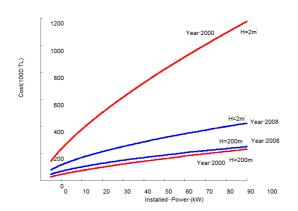


Figure 6. Turbine costs of mini and micro HPP according to Installed Power

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Equation 10 is the equations obtained according to 2008 data while Equation 9 is the equations obtained according to 2000 data. When these equations are plotted against the working region of the mini and micro HPP, the change in Figure 6 is obtained.

The formula obtained as the function of the drop and flow for kaplan turbines of $0.5 \text{ m}^3 < Q < 5 \text{ m}^3$ is given in equation 11 and the formula obtained only as the function of the power is given in equation 12. When these equations are plotted against the working region of the mini and micro HPP, the change in Figure 7 is obtained.

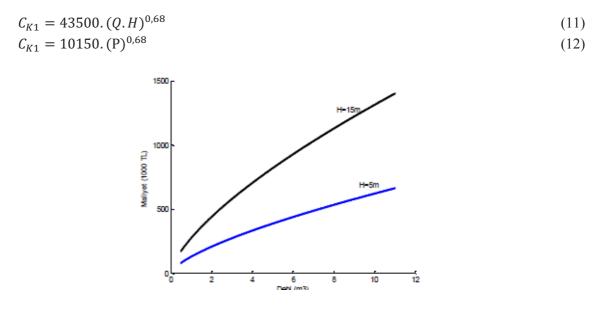


Figure 7. Costs of mini and micro HPP with kaplan turbine according to installed power

The formula obtained as the function of the head and flow for Francis turbines of $0.5 \text{ m}^3 < Q < 2.5 \text{ m}^3$ is given in equation 13 and the formula obtained only as the function of the power is given in equation 14. When these equations are plotted against the working region of the mini and micro HPP, the change in Figure 8 is obtained.

$$C_{F1} = 411800. (Q. H^{0,5})^{0,07}$$
(13)
$$C_{F1} = 353800. (P/H^{0,5})^{0,07}$$
(14)

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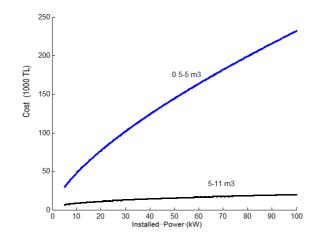


Figure 8. Costs of mini and micro HPP with francis turbine according to installed power For Francis turbines of 2.5 m³ < Q <10 m³;

$$C_{F2} = 817800. (Q. H^{0,5})^{0,11}$$

$$C_{F2} = 646700. (P/H^{0,5})^{0,11}$$
(15)
(16)

When equations 15 and 16 are plotted against the working region of the mini and micro HPP, the change in Figure 9 is obtained.

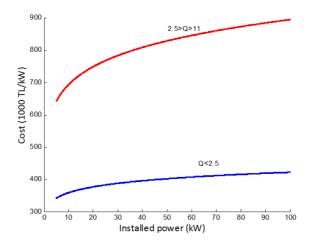


Figure 9. Costs of mini and micro HPP with francis turbine according to installed power

Equation 17 gives the cost equation according to the net drop and flow of the Pelton turbine. Equation 18 expresses the change of the system power according to cost.

$$C_P = 24070. (Q. H^{0,5})^{0,54}$$
⁽¹⁷⁾

$$C_P = 7540. \, (P)^{0.54} \tag{18}$$





When the equations 17 and 18 for the Pelton turbines are plotted against the working zone of the mini and micro HPP, the change in Figure 10 is obtained.

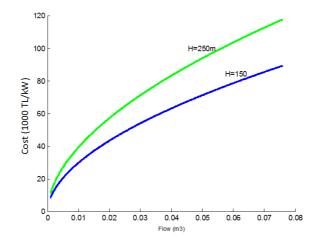


Figure 10. Costs of mini and micro HPP with Pelton Turbine according to Flow

3. Bacterial Swarm Optimization Algorithm

The PSO is an swarm intelligence based optimization algorithm developed by sociologistpsychologist James Kennedy and electrical engineer Russel Eberhart in 1995, inspired from the behaviours of foraging of birds and fish swarms [12]. The PSO algorithm starts with taking parts of all particles randomly in the search space and the positions of the particles are updated according to the best coordinates of itself and the best coordinates of its neighbours in each step. The search process continues to achieve the best result.

Escherichia coli bacteria, which are referred to in the BFO method, another intuitive optimization method, are microorganisms which realize the nutrition activities spending energy at the optimum level and using the abilities of limited perception and mobility [13]. The optimization cycle of the BFO algorithm consists of three events. They are chemotaxis, reproduction and elimination-dispersal. These three events are as follows:

Chemotaxis: Microbiological studies show that *E. coli* bacteria move with their flagellum. If all flagellum turn counter clockwise, the bacteria move forward. When all flagellum turn clockwise, the bacteria decelerates and oscillates wherever they are. Foraging of the bacteria depends on the changes between the last two behaviors.

The rotation of the flagellum in foraging process of the bacteria takes place according to the value of the environment at the time and then it is decided whether the current position will be changed or not and how the next movement (the direction and step length) will be changed in the light of some parameters. The formula for changing direction in the BFO algorithm is as follows:

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(19)

$$\theta^{i}(i+1,k,l) = \theta^{i}(i,k,l) + C(i)\varphi(j)$$

Where $\theta^{i}(i+1,k,l)$, position of the *i*. bacteria shows; $\varphi(j)$ expresses the direction movement depending on the flagellum movement *j*, *k*, and *l* show the indices of the chemotaxis, reproduction and elimination events; and *C*(*i*) corresponds to the step length. In addition, when the bacteria reaches the nutrient, it releases a chemical substance, which has a stimulatory effect on the other bacteria. This substance ensures the other close *Escherichia coli* bacteria to move to the place where the bacteria, which finds nutrition, is.

Reproduction: After a foraging period, these bacteria are removed from the population due to the foraging strategies of some bacteria fail to be successful openly. Bacteria whose foraging strategy is good are duplicated in the same amount to replace the removed ones with the aim of pegging the number of the population. This process is an imitation of the segmentation of the bacteria in some way.

Elimination-Dispersal: Excessive temperature increase, rapid water fluxes and other factors in the environment where bacteria live affect the behaviors of the bacteria to a large extent. All of these factors can cause sudden or slow changes in the population. These changes may be the death of all the bacteria in that area or the dragging or migration of some of them to another area. Elimination-dispersal phenomenon is applied to imitate these biological processes This application may have a negative impact on the performance of the chemotaxis event, as well as positively affecting bacteria by dragging them closer to a better nutrient area. This application means that the bacteria moves to a new position.

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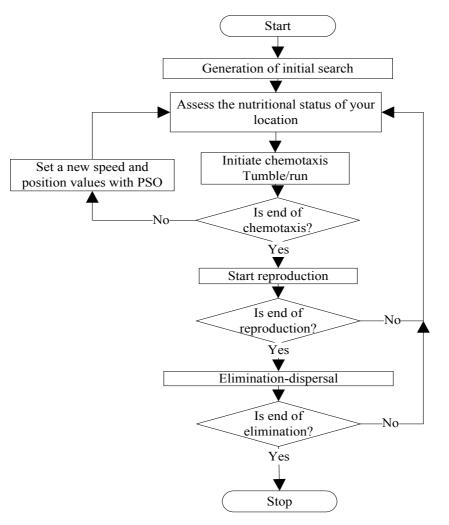


Figure 11. Flow chart for BSO algorithm

The BSO, a hybrid optimization method, has emerged as a more effective optimization method by utilizing positive characteristics of PSO's such as transferring the social information and BFO's such as determining a new direction in the elimination and disintegration process [14].

Basic steps of the BSO algorithm are as follows:

Step 1: Form the population.
Step 2: Evaluate the individuals according to the evaluation function.
Step 3: Three cycles for the optimization:

Inner loop: Chemotaxis
Calculate the information of speed and position (PSO)
Mid-loop: Reproduction
Outside loop: Elimination- Dispersal

Step 4: Decode the optimal bacterium to determine the last solution.

The direction movement of a bacteria with PSO nethod gets rid of randomness in the BSO method. Thus, process of the reaching a solution, which occurs due to the movement direction which the BFO



determines randomly, will be shortened. The flowchart of the BSO algorithm and the program to be used in the optimization of the controller parameters in the next section are given in Figure 11.

BSO parameters: Number of bacteria = 10; Number of chemotatic steps = 5; Number of elimination and dispersal events = 6; Number of reproduction steps = 4; Probability of elimination and dispersal = 0.25.

4. Developed Method

In general, different analytical correlation values have been determined for each type of turbine in accordance with the approach recommended by Ogayar and Vidal. In this study, a comparison was made with reference to the results given by Cavazzini et al.. The reference to this work is climate change, which we will see in the near future.

In the study, for the small scale hydro power plants with pelton turbines in Italy, the flow parameter was added to the equation 6 was obtained.

The actual costs in addition to the power (kW), the drop (m) and the flow (m^3 / s) of the small scale hydro power plants to which equation 2 applies are given in Table 3.

	Mean rd Deviation	6.536 5.29	6.4 6.5				
Acq.S.ta	109	45	300	157,620	147,515	6.41%	12,55%
Kat.na P2	905	264	414	276,667	240,508	13.07%	14,62%
Kat.na P1	604	264	276	213,678	196,149	8.20%	10,29%
Val.Min.re	1017	410	300	216,690 221,113		2.04%	1,16%
Car.lio	1017	409	300	203,052	221,288	8.98%	7,93%
Fium.ero P2	1502	146	1255	381,823	379,213	0.68%	0,39%
Fium.ero P1	510	146	430	184,176	218,132	18.44%	17.10%
Gos.da	1088	467	284	220,822	219,320	0.68%	0.75%
Abb.SanSal.	515	275	230	173,390	178,796	3.12%	1.30%
Chl.Alp.	812	157	600	261,822	269,754	3.03%	0.41%
Val.Min.	196	425	57	97,113	98,060	0.98%	0.89%
l.ra	186	228	100	125,253	115,463	7.82%	14.27%
F.dra	72	353	25	59,241	66,070	11.53%	1.68%
Plant ID	P[kW]	H[m]	Q[l/s]	Real cost [€]	Simulated cost[€]	Simülation Error [%]	Cavazzini Error [%]

Table 4. Parameters of small scale hydro power plants with pelton turbines in Italy

Costs and error rates calculated by the methods developed by Cavazzini and new method are given in Table 4 and Table 5.

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Table 5. Comparison of the percentage errors between the Suggested approach and the most popular literature													
Plant_ID	P[kW]	H[m]	Q[l/s]	Real cost [€]	Suggested Approach	Cavazzini	Ogayar, Vida	Papantonis	Lasu , Persson	Gulliver, Dotan	Kaldellis	Gordon, Penman	Aggidis et al.
					Error [%]								
M.gio	43	28	200.00	89000	-22,72%	1.7%	-15.1%	0.2%	11.3%	-40.5%	-36.5%	-60.6%	7.3%
N.vi.lia	351	140	250.00	165430	-10,82%	-2.5%	10.2%	33.4%	-22.3%	1.9%	81.7%	-47.5%	56.2%
Mor.x	1056	395	325.00	206700	-10,35%	9.4%	32.6%	60.6%	-35.7%	40.0%	242.3%	-36.8%	106.2%
Santa Isabel	25	88	34.13	35000	-75,95%	-7.1%	10.7%	16.7%	15.7%	-35.1%	-11.3%	-54.0%	77.1%
Santa Isabel 2	30	88	40.96	37000	-79,87%	4.5%	17.6%	25.4%	20.6%	-28.7%	-1.5%	-50.6%	85.5%
Ntra Sra de Tiscar	58	85	81.98	60000	-50,15%	11.7%	11.4%	24.2%	7.4%	-23.6%	8.8%	-51.1%	66.1%
Rio Frio	80	155	62.01	85000	-2,92%	-16.6%	-18.6%	-11.0%	-34.6%	-43.1%	-4.5%	-65.0%	31.3%
Rio Frio	600	145	497.14	243408	2,49%	-4.0%	4.3%	30.4%	-31.2%	6.2%	97.0%	-48.7%	42.7%
Rio Frio	1000	155	775.11	390660	22,85%	-23.2%	-11.8%	13.5%	-45.7%	-1.7%	90.8%	-55.3%	17.5%
Sp-P1	178	75	285.14	140001	-14,10%	6.7%	0.8%	21.9%	-10.9%	-14.2%	26.4%	-52.0%	35.3%
Sp-P2	113	180	75.42	90000	-9,01%	-5.9%	-8.2%	1.6%	-31.5%	-32.3%	20.2%	-60.0%	47.9%
Sp-P3	93	100	111.73	95000	-12,49%	-6.8%	-9.3%	3.1%	-20.1%	-32.8%	2.2%	-59.4%	34.2%
Mata Begid	100	80	150.18	120000	1,36%	-16.2%	-19.9%	-7.1%	-26.0%	-39.0%	-11.7%	-63.4%	13.5%
La Toba	190	80	285.34	145000	-11,46%	4.5%	-0.4%	20.5%	-13.9%	-14.5%	28.4%	-52.6%	34.5%
Cerrada de Utrero	365	160	274.07	169999	-5,37%	1.0%	5.9%	27.3%	-28.1%	-2.3%	80.4%	-49.9%	53.0%
Cerrada de Utrero	750	160	563.17	270458	4,81%	-6.0%	5.2%	32.5%	-33.8%	10.9%	113.4%	-47.8%	44.0%
Acequia Hijuela de la Maja	400	165	291.25	189320	1,94%	-5.6%	-0.1%	20.6%	-33.3%	-6.4%	74.9%	-52.5%	44.1%
Valdepenas	510	109	562.13	200002	-19,93%	19.1%	24.0%	56.5%	-10.6%	25.0%	114.3%	-38.4%	63.8%
Valdepenas	900	110	982.98	378639	15,56%	-14.3%	-6.3%	22.6%	-36.5%	4.8%	86.2%	-51.7%	18.8%
Acequia Almegijar	750	225	400.47	265050	13,09%	-15.0%	-2.5%	20.0%	-43.6%	0.4%	109.9%	-52.7%	41.4%
Alhori II	900	112	965.43	378639	16,06%	-15.0%	-6.7%	21.8%	-37.1%	4.2%	85.8%	-52.0%	18.5%
Sabinar-canarie	1000	200	600.71	288490	3,94%	-5.4%	11.2%	40.5%	-35.8%	21.7%	151.4%	-44.7%	54.6%
Sabinar 2-canarie	1000	300	400.47	265050	8,44%	-10.2%	7.9%	32.7%	-43.6%	14.9%	162.0%	-47.7%	60.9%
Mor 1-Morocco	200	90	266.98	155000	-3,03%	-3.7%	-6.8%	12.1%	-22.3%	-20.0%	24.1%	-55.9%	27.8%
Manteigas-Portugal	300	178	202.49	174900	10,15%	-15.0%	-11.8%	3.9%	-40.5%	-22.1%	45.9%	-59.1%	31.7%
Cartignano-Italy	300	150	240.28	170100	2,47%	-7.5%	-4.9%	13.5%	-33.0%	-15.0%	52.8%	-55.3%	38.0%
	Mean					9.2%	10.2%	20.8%	28.5%	18.2%	61.0%	53.0%	42.7%

Table 5. Comparison of the percentage errors between the Suggested approach and the most popular literature

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5. Conclusion

The studies on size and cost analysis of both grid-connected and island plants has focused in recent years. Evaluation plan of the entire HPP potential among the close targets of Turkey motivated the authors to do this work. For this purpose, The last studies in the literature and the results of the developed equation are given in tabular form. The obtained results has been found with reference to 13 plants in Italy with the reason of geographical similarity. When the costs of the plants in Italy are calculated, it is seen that the average values of the errors are leastwise higher than the studies which done last and compared to the tables. The small standard deviation indicates that the data are scattered near the average, while large standard deviation indicates that the data are scattered at distant locations. The standard deviation value in the obtained results is smaller in this study, and according to this result, the deviation in this study is less than the other studies. When the same equation is made for 26 pelton turbine plants around the world, much better results have been obtained than the studies so far.

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