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Transmission dynamics and control strategies of COVID-19: a modelling study

In this paper a mathematical model is proposed, which incorporates quarantine and hospitalization to assess the community impact of social distancing and face mask among the susceptible population. The model parameters are estimated and fitted to the model with the use of laboratory confirmed COVID-19 cases in Turkey from March 11 to October 10, 2020. The partial rank correlation coefficient is employed to perform sensitivity analysis of the model, with basic reproduction number and infection attack rate as response functions. Results from the sensitivity analysis reveal that the most essential parameters for effective control of COVID-19 infection are recovery rate from quarantine individuals (δ_1), recovery rate from hospitalized individuals (δ_4), and transmission rate (β). Some simulation results are obtained with the aid of mesh plots with respect to the basic reproductive number as a function of two different biological parameters randomly chosen from the model. Finally, numerical simulations on the dynamics of the model highlighted that infections from the compartments of each state variables decreases with time which causes an increase in susceptible individuals. This implies that avoiding contact with infected individuals by means of adequate awareness of social distancing and wearing face mask are vital to prevent or reduce the spread of COVID-19 infection.

Keywords: COVID-19, mathematical modelling, basic reproduction number, transmission dynamics, sensitivity analysis.

Introduction

The coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), previously recognized as "2019-nCoV", from the family of *Coronaviridae*, which includes the Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) and the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV), is a lethal virus that mostly transmits via human-to-human route [1–7]. The disease emerged from Wuhan, China, in late December 2019 and the outbreaks are still ongoing worldwide [8–15]. The disease can be transmitted from person-to-person through droplets when breathing, coughing or through contact with infected person [16]. During the early phase of the outbreak COVID-19 displayed comparable signs and symptoms with pneumonia, and spread throughout China and later to other part of the world [11, 12]. As of October 17, 2020, there were more than 39 million cases including over 1 million deaths of COVID-19 worldwide [1, 9, 11, 12]. Although COVID-19 displayed similar symptoms to MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV, the severity appears not as high as these two coronaviruses [2–4, 9, 17].

The natural reservoir of COVID-19 and intermediate host that at first spread the virus to humans (zoonotic transmission) have nevertheless now not been established [1, 5, 18]. Recent studies show that some animals such as bats, hedgehogs, pangolins and snakes are suspected to spread the virus to humans [2, 5, 9, 12], after which human-to-human transmissions continues through air droplets or contact with infected individual [2–4, 9, 18, 19]. The most common symptoms of COVID-19 include respiratory disorder, fever, common cold, cough and pneumonia in severe cases [3, 4, 20].

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As stated in [21], the latency period of the COVID-19 is found to be between 2–11 days that ought to be used in suggesting the time for quarantine of the exposed individual. Lately quite a few epidemiological modeling researches [13, 18, 22, 23] estimated the basic reproduction ratio and analysed the patterns of the virus in the early phase of the epidemic. Some of these latest researches [13, 18] found the estimated reproduction number to be extensively larger than unity which is a bit higher than that of MERS and SARS [24, 25]. It by implication shows that greater infections may additionally occur, which suggests that serious measures need to be taken to downsize the unfold of the virus. Zhao et al. [25] revealed that there is a sturdy affiliation between journey through train and the extend in the range of COVID-19 instances than journey via flight or road. Additionally, it is highlighted that ailment prevention and management measures are to be preferred for travelers by means of trains to curtail the COVID-19 spread. Also, Wu et al. [22] studied a meta-population compartmental model, which estimates and forecasts the COVID-19 outbreak, and recommended that the novel coronavirus infection can enlarge exponentially in more than one Chinese city with a lag time behind the Wuhan outbreak of about 1 to 14 days.

Motivated by some of these recent studies [13, 18, 22], in this paper a mathematical model is employed, which incorporates quarantine and hospitalization to explore the dynamical behavior of the COVID-19 transmission, and also to show the trends of its epidemics in order to notify policymakers and to suggest ways to curtail the spread of the virus.

The rest of the paper is organized in the following way: firstly, the model formulation is provided and the model analysis has been presented subsequently. Then, parameter estimation is presented. Afterwards, sensitivity analysis and numerical simulations are performed. Lastly, concluding remarks are given.

Model formulation

A new mathematical model is proposed to monitor the transmission dynamics of the novel corona virus (COVID-19). The total human population at time t , given by $N(t)$, is divided into sub-populations containing susceptible individuals $S(t)$, exposed individuals $E(t)$, individuals with mild infection $I_1(t)$, individuals with severe infection $I_2(t)$, asymptomatic individuals under quarantine $Q(t)$, hospitalized individuals $H(t)$, and recovered individuals $R(t)$, such that $N(t) = S(t) + E(t) + I_1(t) + I_2(t) + Q(t) + H(t) + R(t)$. The diagram of the model is given in Figure 1 to present the transmission between compartments.

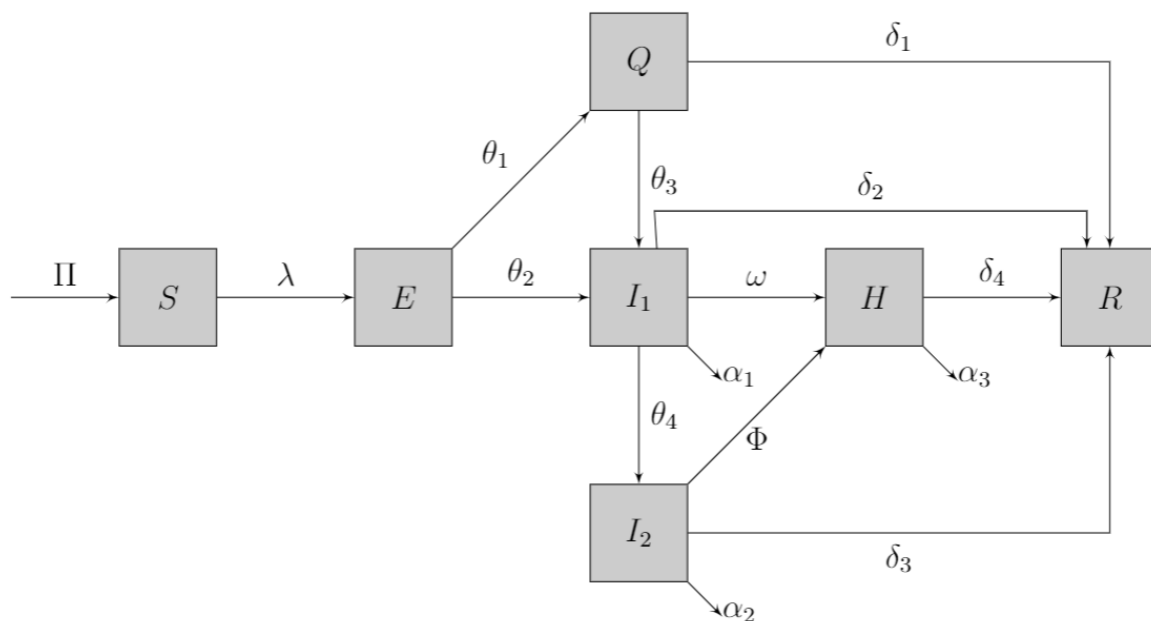


Figure 1. Flow diagram of COVID-19 model.

The system is constructed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dS}{dt} &= \Pi - \lambda S, \\
 \frac{dE}{dt} &= \lambda S - (\theta_1 + \theta_2)E, \\
 \frac{dQ}{dt} &= \theta_1 E - (\delta_1 + \theta_3)Q, \\
 \frac{dI_1}{dt} &= \theta_2 E + \theta_3 Q - (\delta_2 + \omega + \theta_4 + \alpha_1)I_1, \\
 \frac{dI_2}{dt} &= \theta_4 I_1 - (\Phi + \alpha_2 + \delta_3)I_2, \\
 \frac{dH}{dt} &= \omega I_1 + \Phi I_2 - (\delta_4 + \alpha_3)H, \\
 \frac{dR}{dt} &= \delta_1 Q + \delta_2 I_1 + \delta_3 I_2 + \delta_4 H,
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where $\lambda = \frac{\beta(\tau_1 I_1 + \tau_2 I_2 + \tau_3 Q + \tau_4 H)}{N}$ is the force of infection. The variables and parameters that are used in the model (1) are explained in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively.

Table 1

Interpretation of the State Variables Used in the Model (1)

Variables	Descriptions
N	Total population of individuals
S	Susceptible individuals at the risk of having COVID-19 infection
E	Exposed individuals
I_1	Infected individuals with mild infection
I_2	Infected individuals with severe infection
Q	Individuals under quarantine/isolated
H	Hospitalized individuals
R	Recovered individuals

Table 2

Interpretation of the State Parameters Used in the Model (1)

Parameters	Descriptions
Π	Recruitment rate
β	Transmission rate
τ_i ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$)	Parameters for increase/decrease on infectiousness in individuals
θ_i ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$)	Progression rates
ω	Hospitalization rate from I_1 class
φ	Hospitalization rate from I_2 class
α_i ($i = 1, 2, 3$)	Disease induced death rates
δ_i ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$)	Recovery rates

Model analysis

The model is non-negative with respect to the human population, each of its parameters and state variables for each $t \geq 0$. Thus, one can easily prove that for each non-negative initial prerequisite the state variables of the model are non-negative.

Theorem 1. Let $(S, E, Q, I_1, I_2, H, R)$ be the solution to the system (1) with initial conditions $S \geq 0, E \geq 0, Q \geq 0, I_1 \geq 0, I_2 \geq 0, H \geq 0, R \geq 0$. Then, the set

$$\Upsilon = \{(S, E, Q, I_1, I_2, H, R) \in R_+^7 / S + E + Q + I_1 + I_2 + H + R \leq \Pi\}$$

is invariant, positive, and all the solutions in R_+^7 stay in Υ with respect to (1).

Proof. Addition of all of the system (1) gives

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = \Pi - \alpha_1 I_1 - \alpha_2 I_2 - \alpha_3 H,$$

so that, $\frac{dN}{dt} \leq \Pi$, and integrating both sides gives $Ne^t \leq \Pi e^t + c$. By the use of theorem of Rota and Birkhoff regarding differential inequalities [26], we can easily obtain $0 \leq N \leq \Pi$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Thus N approaches Π as $t \rightarrow \infty$, and so the set of the solutions of the model (1) enters the region $\{Y = (S, E, Q, I_1, I_2, H, R) \in R_+^7 / S \geq 0, E \geq 0, Q \geq 0, I_1 \geq 0, I_2 \geq 0, H \geq 0, R \geq 0, N \leq \Pi\}$, this guarantees the biological feasibility of the model (1).

Hence, it is enough to consider the model's dynamic in Y [27].

Stability of disease-free equilibrium

The model exhibit a unique disease-free equilibrium point "DFE", which is obtained by equating the right-hand sides of (1) to zero, then

$$C^0 = (S, E, Q, I_1, I_2, H, R) = (\Pi, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$$

and it can clearly be seen that C^0 attracts the region, so that

$$C^0 = \{(S, E, Q, I_1, I_2, H, R) \in C^0 : E = Q = I_1 = I_2 = H = R = 0\}.$$

The basic reproduction number R_0 is computed using the next generation matrix (NGM) method, which represents the number of secondary cases produced by an infected individual with COVID-19 infection throughout his/her entire period of infection in an absolutely susceptible population [27–31], which is given as follows:

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\beta(\tau_2 I_1 + \tau_3 I_2 + \tau_4 Q + \tau_5 H)}{N} S_o \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v = \begin{bmatrix} (\theta_1 + \theta_2)E \\ -\theta_1 E + (\delta_1 + \theta_3)Q \\ -\theta_2 E - \theta_3 Q + (\delta_2 + \omega + \theta_4 + \alpha_1)I_1 \\ -\theta_4 I_1 + (\varphi + \alpha_2 + \delta_3)I_2 \\ -\omega I_1 - \varphi I_2 + (\delta_4 + \alpha_3)H \end{bmatrix},$$

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \beta\tau_1 & \beta\tau_2 & \beta\tau_3 & \beta\tau_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, V = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\theta_1 & k_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\theta_2 & -\theta_3 & b_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\theta_4 & b_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\omega & -\varphi & k_3 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $k_1 = (\theta_1 + \theta_2)$, $k_2 = (\delta_1 + \theta_3)$, $k_3 = (\delta_4 + \alpha_3)$, $b_1 = (\delta_2 + \omega + \theta_4 + \alpha_1)$, $b_2 = (\varphi + \alpha_2 + \delta_3)$. Then V^{-1} is obtained as

$$V^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1^{-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\theta_1}{k_2 k_1} & k_2^{-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\theta_2 k_2 + \theta_3 \theta_1}{b_1 k_2 k_1} & \frac{\theta_3}{b_1 k_2} & b_1^{-1} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\theta_4(\theta_2 k_2 + \theta_3 \theta_1)}{b_2 b_1 k_2 k_1} & \frac{\theta_4 \theta_3}{b_2 b_1 k_2} & \frac{\theta_4}{b_2 b_1} & b_2^{-1} & 0 \\ \frac{(\theta_2 k_2 + \theta_3 \theta_1)(\omega b_2 + \varphi \theta_4)}{k_1 k_2 b_1 b_2 k_3} & \frac{\theta_3(\omega b_2 + \varphi \theta_4)}{b_2 b_1 k_2 k_3} & \frac{\omega b_2 + \varphi \theta_4}{b_2 b_1 k_3} & \frac{\varphi}{b_2 k_3} & k_3^{-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Thus, the basic reproduction number $R_0 = \rho(FV^{-1})$ equals to

$$R_0 = \frac{(((b_1\beta\tau_1 + \beta\tau_2\theta_3)\theta_1 + \beta\tau_2k_2\theta_2)k_3 + \omega\beta\tau_4(\theta_2k_2 + \theta_3\theta_1))b_2 + \theta_4(\beta\tau_4\varphi + \beta\tau_3k_3)(\theta_2k_2 + \theta_3\theta_1)}{k_1k_2k_3b_1b_2},$$

with $S_0 = N$ and ρ symbolizing the next generation matrix's spectral radius. Following [27], relying on the local stability of the disease-free equilibrium of the model (1), the theorem below is arrived.

Theorem 2. For the model (1) the disease-free equilibrium is locally asymptotically stable whenever $R_0 < 1$ and unstable if $R_0 > 1$.

Proof. The Jacobian matrix evaluated at C^0 , denoted by J_0 is

$$J(C^0) = \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \lambda & -\theta_1 - \theta_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \theta_1 & -\delta_1 - \theta_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \theta_2 & \theta_3 & -\delta_2 - \omega - \theta_4 - \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \theta_4 & -\varphi - \alpha_2 - \delta_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \omega & \varphi & -\delta_4 - \alpha_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_1 & \delta_2 & \delta_3 & \delta_4 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then, the eigenvalues of this matrix are $0, -\theta_1 - \theta_2, -\delta_1 - \theta_3, -\delta_4 - \alpha_3, -\varphi - \alpha_2 - \delta_3, -\delta_2 - \omega - \theta_4 - \alpha_1,$ and $-\lambda,$ which are obtained by deleting the first row and the first column of J_0 as well as its last row and the last column. Thus, the DFE, C^0 is locally asymptotically stable if $R_0 < 1$ and unstable if $R_0 > 1$. Hence, the proof is complete.

Parameter estimation

This section explains the fitting of parameters involved in the proposed COVID-19 model based upon the real cases of the pandemic throughout Turkey. Daily cases of the pandemic are taken between March 11–October 10, 2020, while preparing this research paper. For initial conditions the total population of Turkey is noted to be $N(0) = 83.3 \times 10^6$, the initial exposed and quarantined population is taken as $E(0) = Q(0) = 3 \times 10^6$ and this helped us to determine rest of the initial values for the state variables using the relation $N(0) = S(0) + E(0) + Q(0) + I_1(0) + I_2(0) + H(0) + R(0)$. In this connection, $S(0) = 78338132, I_1(0) = 300, I_2(0) = 470, H(0) = 150,$ and $R(0) = 15$ are obtained. There are 19 biological parameters which have been estimated with the aid of least-square fitting method leading to produce a best fit of the COVID-19 model's solution to the real pandemic cases as depicted in the Figure 2. By reducing the average absolute relative error between the real COVID-19 cases and the solution of the model, the best values of the biological parameters are obtained. The objective function yields to relatively small error having the value 9.8748×10^{-2} . The Figure 2 shows the real COVID-19 cases by red solid squares whereas the best fitted curve of the model is shown by the black solid line. The biological parameters included in the model are listed in Table 3 along with their best estimated values obtained via least-squares technique. These parameters have finally produced the value of the basic reproduction number equivalent to $\mathcal{R}_0 = 2.82$ for the real COVID-19 cases in Turkey from March 11 to October 10, 2020.

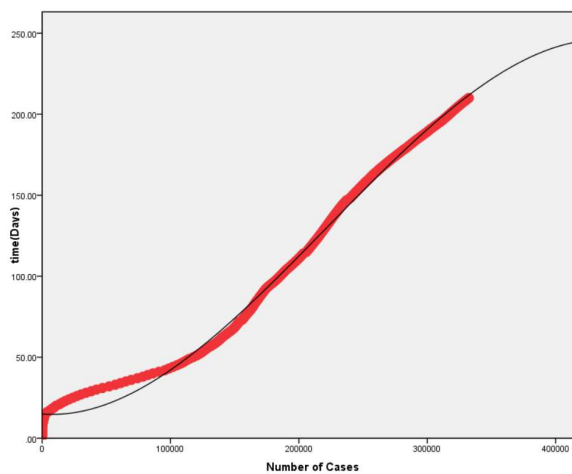


Figure 2. Data fitting for the real COVID-19 cases in Turkey from March 11 to October 10, 2020

Sensitivity analysis

Table 3

Baseline Values of the Parameters Used in (1)

Parameter	Value	Units/Remarks	Sources
$N(0)$	Turkey	Constant	[32]
$S(0)$	$0.95 \times N(0)$	Constant	Assumed
Π	9.9991	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
β	0.641	Day ⁻¹	Assumed
τ_1	0.647	Day ⁻¹	Assumed
τ_2	0.456	Day ⁻¹	Assumed
τ_3	0.567	Day ⁻¹	Assumed
τ_4	0.334	Day ⁻¹	Assumed
α_1	0.0378	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
α_2	0.0324	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
α_3	0.0289	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
Φ	0.00213	Day ⁻¹	Estimated by [32]
ω	0.00004	Day ⁻¹	Estimated by [32]
δ_1	0.24	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
δ_2	0.133	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
δ_3	0.00389	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
δ_4	0.00527	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
θ_1	0.632	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
θ_2	0.0034	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
θ_3	0.0023	Day ⁻¹	Fitted
θ_4	0.00512	Day ⁻¹	Fitted

Since parameters of an epidemiological system are either evaluated or fitted along these lines are conveying some vulnerability with respect to their qualities utilized for reaching conclusions about the fundamental pestilence. Consequently, it is essential to survey the singular effects of every parameter on the dynamics of the pestilence, subsequently finding the parameters with the most significant impact towards decrease or diminishing the scourge. In the current study we employed a partial rank correlation coefficients (PRCCs) of the basic reproduction number and attack rate to investigate the most significant parameters for curbing the dissemination of COVID-19 in a community. Here, the most effective parameters are recovery rate from isolated people δ_1 , recovery rate from hospitalized people δ_4 , and transmission rate (β) [33–37].

Furthermore, since the basic reproductive number R_0 is the most important quantity to comprehend the extent for the spread of an epidemic, R_0 has been investigated by varying different kinds of biological parameters of the proposed COVID-19 model. Using mesh plot and the parameter values in Table 3, some numerical results are obtained. The results as depicted in Figure 4 showed a significant increase with the variation in the progression rates of asymptomatic individuals under quarantine to the mild infection θ_3 and that of mild infection individuals to the severe infection θ_4 , while R_0 decreases/increases with the decreasing/increasing value of transmission rate β and the rate of increase of infectiousness in human τ_4 and increases with decrease of recovery rates from isolated people δ_1 , mild infection individuals δ_2 , severe infection individuals δ_3 , and hospitalized individuals δ_4 .

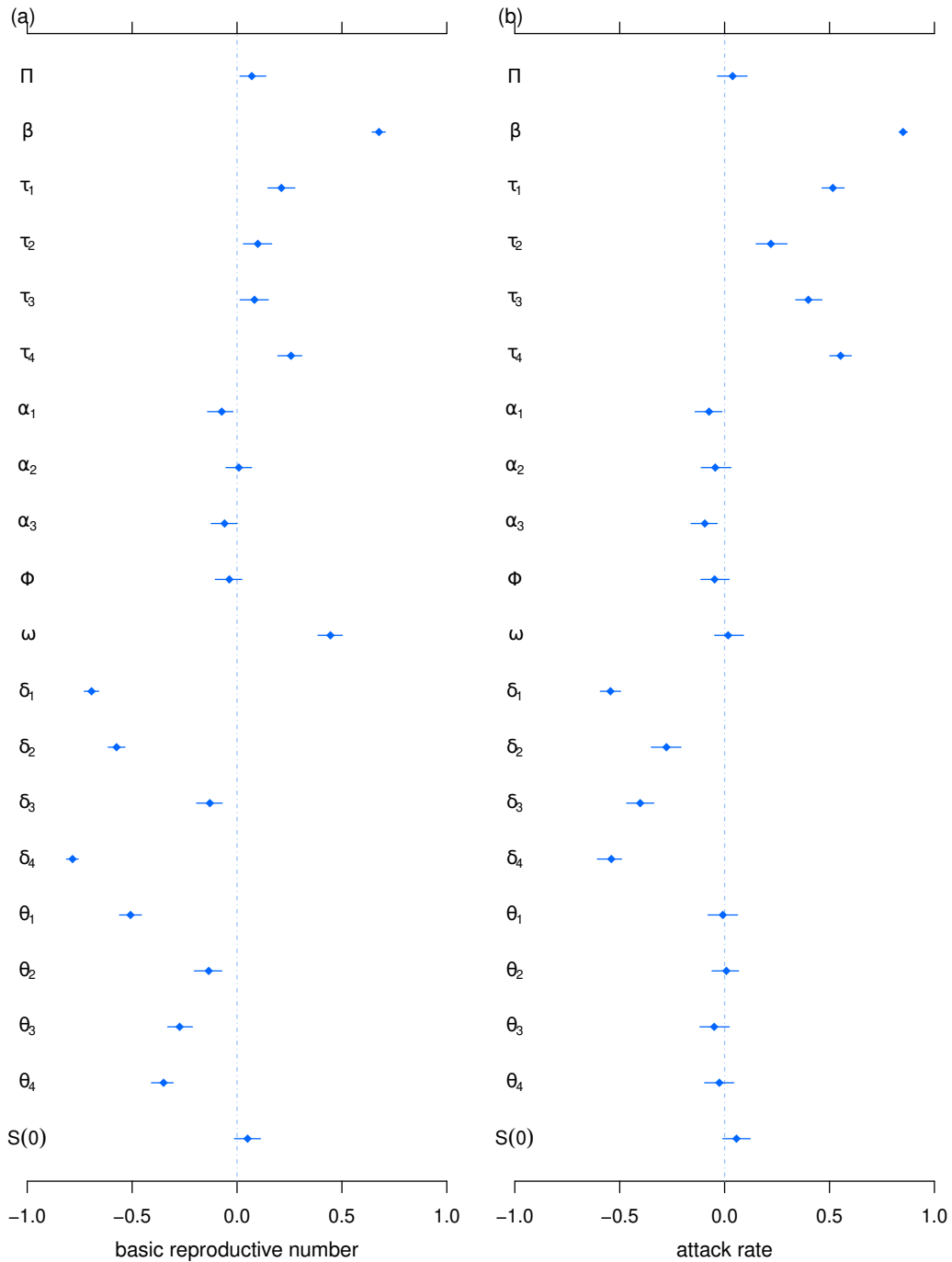


Figure 3. The partial rank correlation coefficient of the basic reproduction number R_0 with respect to model parameters. The dots are the estimated correlation and the bars represent the 95% confidence interval. The parameter values used for sensitivity analysis are summarised in Table 3

Numerical simulations

This is the position in which we got a deep insight into the complex behavior of the model. The present section provided the model's numerical simulations while using the biological parameters as previously mentioned. The Euler technique is used to get the solution of the proposed model and to obtain the graphical results based on parameters that are taken in Table 3.

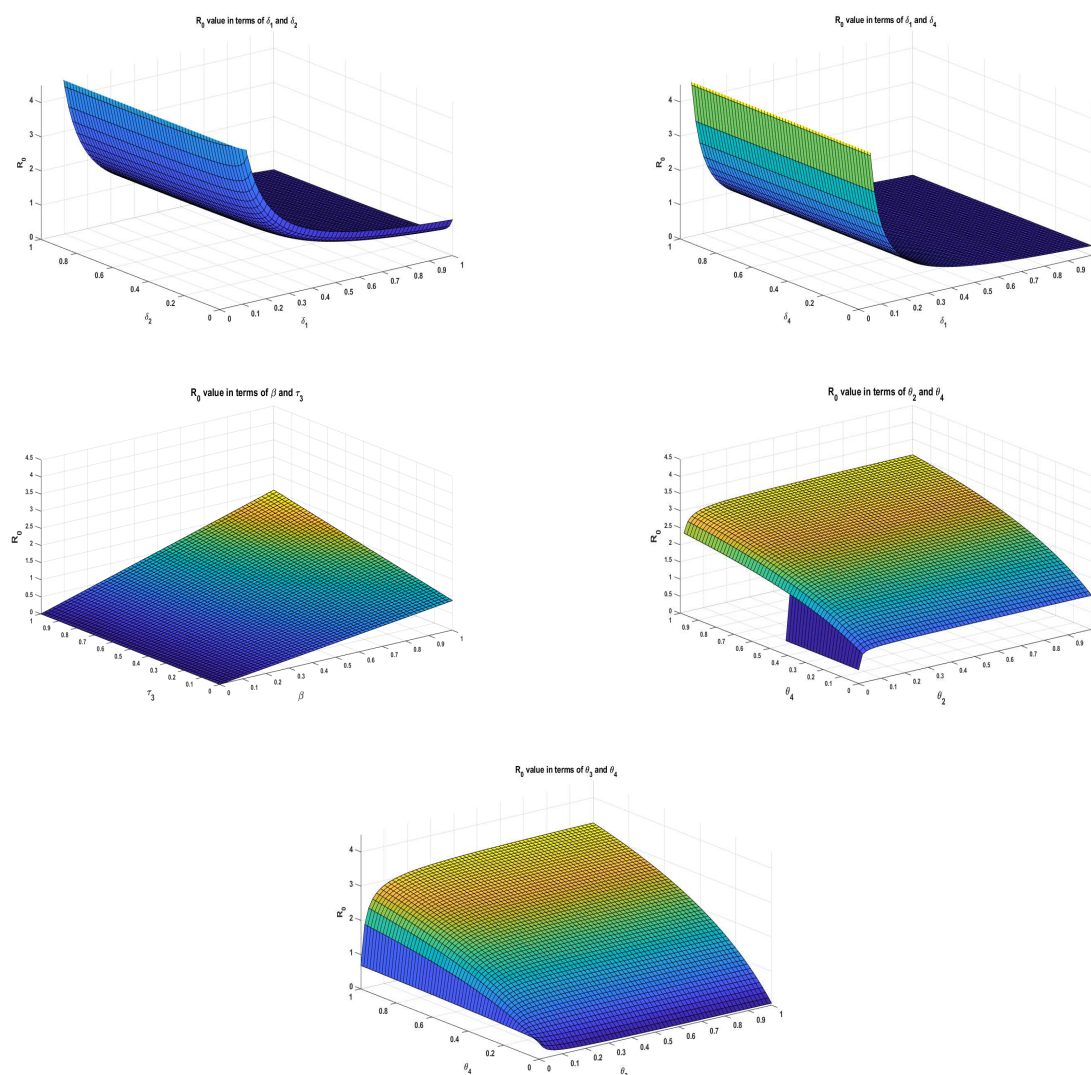


Figure 4. Mesh grid plots of the basic reproduction number in terms of the controllable parameters with basic reproduction number R_0 as a response function

In the absence of an exact solution for the proposed model we need to establish an approximate solutions to show the behaviour of the model. With this purpose we employ one of the effective numerical scheme called Euler method. The method is as follows: assume that a well-posed initial-value condition is given by

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y), \quad a \leq t \leq b \text{ and } y(a) = \chi.$$

A sequence of approximation point $(t, w) \approx (t, y(t))$ is established by Euler method to the exact solutions of ODE by $t_{i+1} = t_i + h$ and $w_{i+1} = w_i + hf(t_i, w_i), i = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$, and $t_0 = a, w_0 = \alpha, h = \frac{b-a}{N}$.

The following figures are obtained by using the MATLAB version R2020a and the parameter values from Table 3. From the Figure 5 it is observed that there is a significant decrease in both the compartments of exposed individuals, isolated/quarantined individuals, infected individuals with mild infection, individuals with severe infections and hospitalized individuals while the susceptible and recovery compartments increases. These signified that the estimated parameter values taking from Table 3 gives the required results in controlling the spread of COVID-19 infection. The results depicted in Figures 6, 7, 8, and 9 with the decreasing/increasing values of λ (force of infection) showed that adequate awareness of social distancing and wearing of face masks in most vulnerable communities play significant role in the spread of the COVID-19 infection.

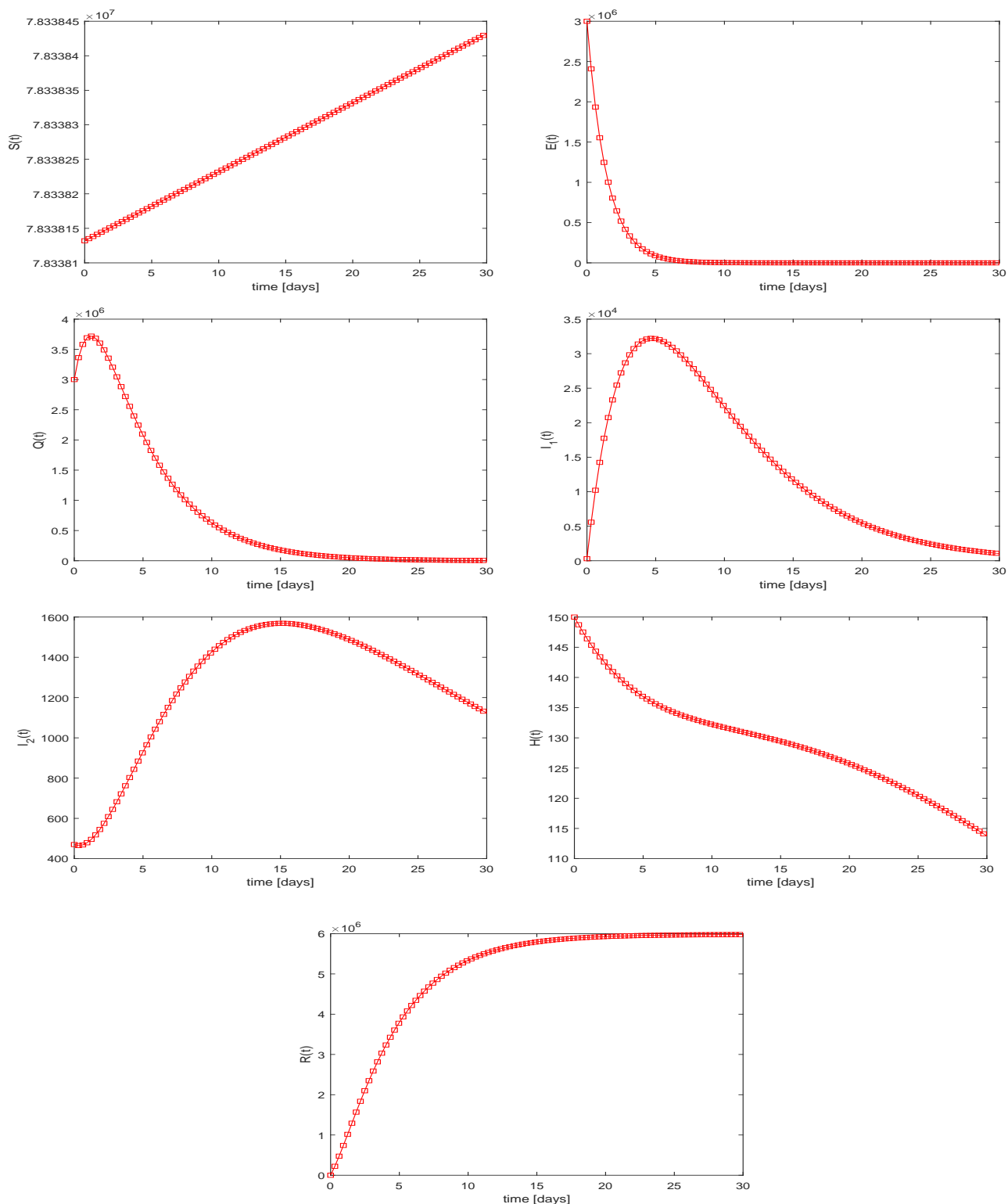


Figure 5. Dynamical behavior of each state variables of the proposed model (1) while taking parameters' values from the Table 3

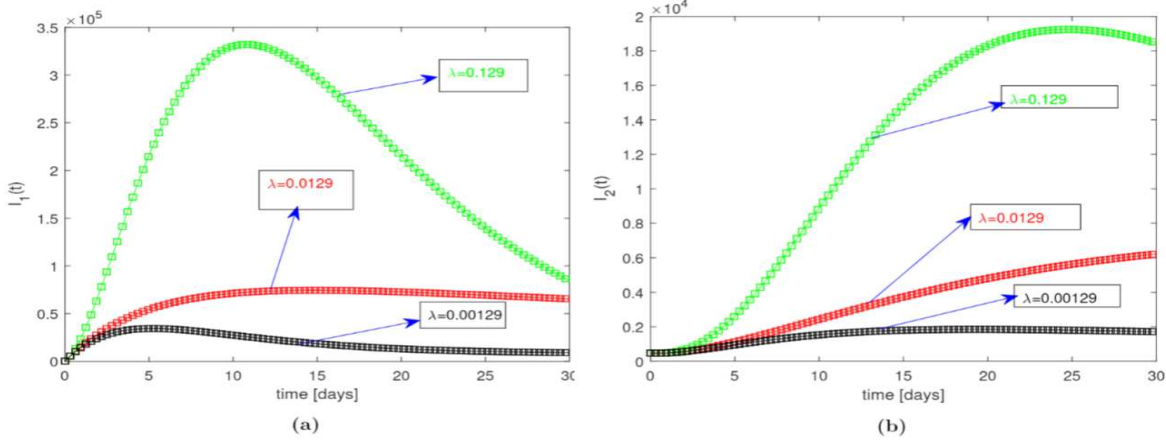


Figure 6. (a) Profile of I_1 (individuals with mild infection) and (b) profile of I_2 (individuals with severe infection), with decreasing values of λ (force of infection).

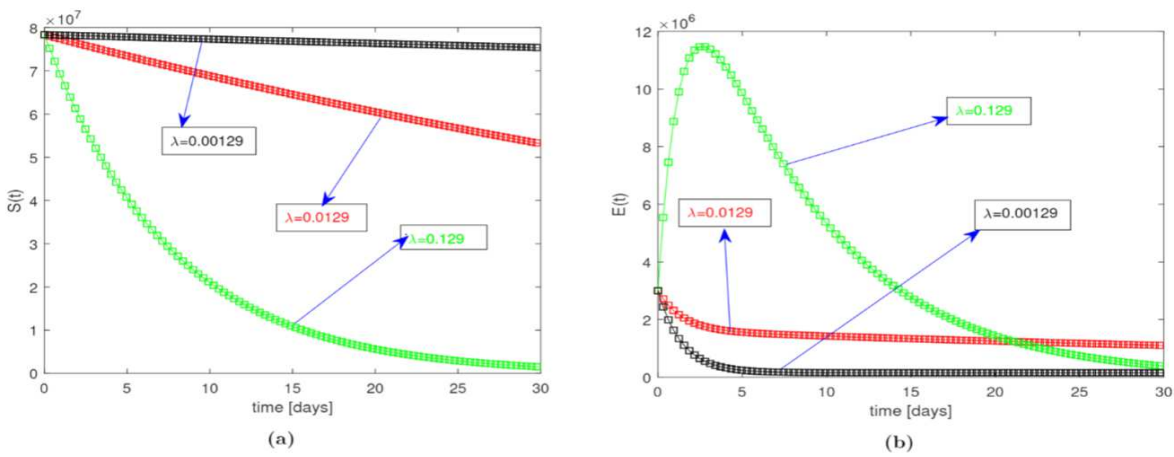


Figure 7. (a) Profile of S (susceptible individuals) and (b) profile of E (exposed individuals), with decreasing values of λ (force of infection).

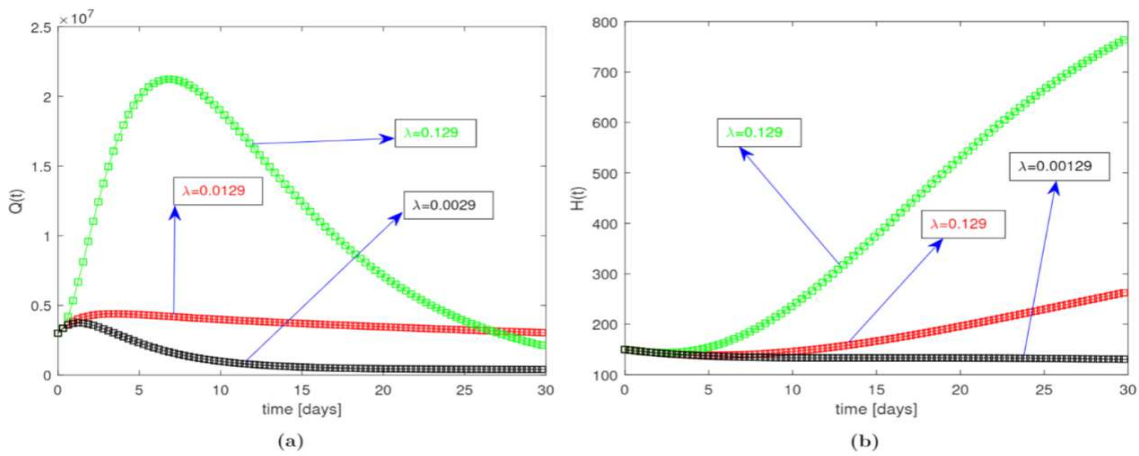


Figure 8. (a) Profile of Q (quarantined individuals) and (b) profile of H (hospitalized individuals), with increasing values of λ (force of infection)

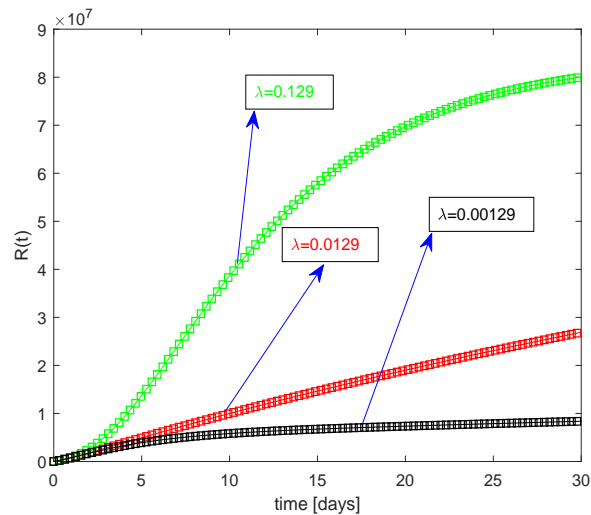


Figure 9. Profile of R (recovered individuals) with increasing values of λ (force of infection).

Conclusion

In this paper a mathematical model is proposed, which incorporates quarantine and hospitalization to study the dynamical behavior of the COVID-19 transmission. The parameters of the model are estimated and fitted to the model with the use of laboratory confirmed COVID-19 data cases of Turkey from March 11 to October 10, 2020, using least-square fitting method. The threshold quantity known as basic reproduction number is obtained by using the next generation matrix techniques. Some simulation results are obtained with the aid of mesh plots for the reproductive number as a function of two different biological parameters. Using partial rank correlation coefficients of the basic reproduction number and infection attack rate as a response functions, we revealed the most essential parameters for effectively controlling the COVID-19 infection. It is found that the epidemiological parameters that should be given emphasis in controlling the spread of COVID-19 are the recovery rate from quarantine individuals δ_1 , recovery rate from hospitalized individuals δ_4 and transmission rate (β). Finally, numerical simulations on the dynamics of the model showed that the infections in the compartments of each state variables decreases with time which causes an increase in susceptible individuals. This implies that avoiding contact with infected individuals by means of adequate awareness of social distancing and wearing of face mask are vital to prevent or reduce the spread of COVID-19 infection.

Furthermore, it should also be emphasized that the present research study will be strengthened in future research by analyzing and investigating the modern fractional operators and optimal control strategies. To the unknown characters and characteristics of this pandemic of COVID-19 this is a significant and decisive step remaining to be accomplished.

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COVID-19-дың берілу динамикасы мен бақылау стратегиясы: модельді зерттеу

Бұл зерттеуде халықтың осал топтарының масканы тағуы және әлеуметтік ара қашықтықты сақтаудың әсерін бағалау, пациенттерді карантин мен ауруханаға жатқызуды қамтитын математикалық модель ұсынылған. Модель параметрлері Түркияда 2020 жылдың 11 наурызынан 10 қазанына дейін зертханалық расталған COVID-2019 жағдайларын қолдана отырып бағаланды және модельге бейімделді. Дәрежелік корреляцияның ішінара коэффициенті модельдің сезімталдығын негізгі көбею санымен және жауап беру функциясы ретінде инфекция жылдамдығымен талдау үшін қолданылды. Сезімталдықты талдау нәтижелері COVID-19 инфекциясын тиімді бақылаудың маңызды параметрлері карантиндегі адамдардың қалпына келу жылдамдығы (δ_1), ауруханаға жатқызылған адамдардың қалпына келу жылдамдығы (δ_4) және жұқпаның берілу жылдамдығы (β) екенін көрсетті. Модельдеудің кейбір нәтижелері модельден кездейсоқ таңдалған екі түрлі биологиялық параметрлердің функциясы ретінде негізгі репродуктивті санға қатысты торлы графиктер арқылы алынады. Соңында, модель динамикасын сандық модельдеу әр айнаымалы бөлімдеріндегі инфекциялар саны уақыт өте келе азайып, ауруға шалдыққан адамдардың көбеюіне әкелетінін көрсетті. Бұл індет жұқтырған адамдардан аулақ болу, әлеуметтік арақашықтықты сақтау, маска кию және т.б. талаптарды орындау COVID-19 инфекциясының таралуын болдырмау немесе азайту үшін өте маңызды екенін білдіреді.

Кілт сөздер: COVID-19, математикалық модельдеу, базалық репродуктивті сан, берілу динамикасы, сезімталдықты талдау.

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Динамика передачи и стратегии контроля COVID-19: модельное исследование

В статье предложена математическая модель, которая включает карантин и госпитализацию пациентов, чтобы оценить влияние социального дистанцирования и ношение маски среди уязвимых групп населения. Параметры модели оценивались и подгонялись к модели с использованием лабораторно подтвержденных случаев COVID-19 в Турции с 11 марта по 10 октября 2020 г. Частичный коэффициент ранговой корреляции использован для проведения анализа чувствительности модели с базовым числом репродукции и скорости заражения как функции ответа. Результаты анализа чувствительности показывают, что наиболее важными параметрами для эффективного контроля за инфекцией COVID-19 являются скорость выздоровления лиц, находящихся на карантине (δ_1), скорость выздоровления госпитализированных лиц (δ_4) и скорость передачи инфекции (β). Некоторые результаты моделирования получены с помощью сеточных графиков относительно основного репродуктивного числа как функции двух различных биологических параметров, случайно выбранных из модели. Наконец, численное моделирование динамики модели показало, что количество инфекций из отделов каждой переменной состояния уменьшается со временем, что вызывает увеличение числа восприимчивых людей. Это означает, что избегание контактов с инфицированными людьми посредством адекватного понимания социального дистанцирования и ношения лицевых масок жизненно важно для предотвращения или уменьшения распространения инфекции COVID-19.

Ключевые слова: COVID-19, математическое моделирование, базовое репродуктивное число, динамика передачи, анализ чувствительности.