

PARTICLE SWARM OPTIMIZATION APPROACH FOR ESTIMATION OF ENERGY DEMAND OF TURKEY

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Abstract

This paper presents an application of Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) technique to estimate energy demand of Turkey, based on economic indicators. The economic indicators that are used during the model development are: gross national product (GNP), population, import and export figures of Turkey. Energy demand and other economic indicators in Turkey from 1979 to 2005 are considered as the case of this study. The energy estimation model based on PSO (EEPSO) is developed in two forms (linear (EEPSOL) and quadratic (EEPSOQ)) and applied to forecast energy demand in Turkey. PSOQ form provided better-fit solution due to fluctuations of the economic indicators. In order to show the accuracy of the algorithm, some comparisons are made with previous studies which are using Ant Colony Optimization (ACO) and PSO. The future energy demand is calculated under different scenarios. The relative estimation errors of the proposed models are the lowest when they are compared with the Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources (MENR) projection.

Keywords: Particle Swarm Optimization, EEPSOL, EEPSOQ, Energy Demand, Forecast, Relative Error, Turkey.

1. Introduction

It is widely known that energy consumption and demand level is directly related to the level of development of a country like Turkey. Hence, carrying an idea about energy demand and policy is a matter of serious importance. Turkey, which is a Eurasian country that stretches across the Anatolian peninsula in western Asia and Thrace in the Balkan region of southeastern Europe, has been one of the fastest growing power markets in the world with its young and growing population, rapid urbanization, strong economic growth and low per-capita electricity consumption for two decades ([37], [6]).

Turkey's energy demand has grown rapidly almost every year and will continue to grow along with its economy. The primary energy need of Turkey has been growing by some 6% per annum for decades. Recent forecasts indicate that this trend will continue as a result of rapid urbanization and industrialization [40]. Turkey's primary energy sources are hard coal, lignite, hydropower, oil, natural gas, geothermal and solar energy, wood, as well as animal and plant wastes. However, the level of energy production in Turkey is very low

(Figure 1). At present, around 26% of the total energy demand is being met by domestic energy sources, while the rest originates from a diversified import-portfolio [4].

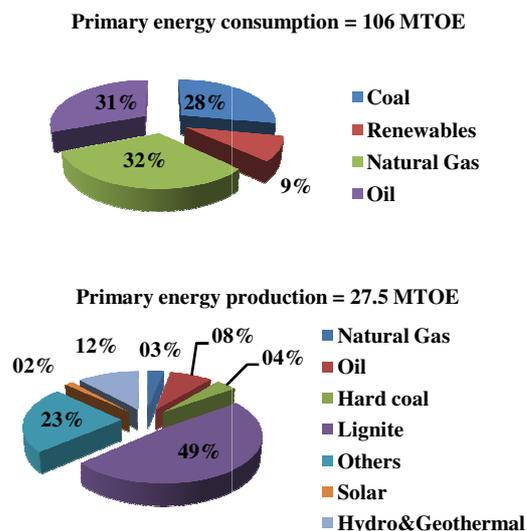


Fig.1: The share of each fuel in total primary energy production and consumption in 2007 [4] (MTOE: million tons of oil equivalents)

Turkey has various sources for primary energy production and consumption (Figure 1). Coal, natural gas and oil consumptions are very close and have 91% in total primary energy consumption, while their production is 63.6% in total primary energy production. In other words, only a small percentage of total primary consumption was provided by domestic production. It is expected that by the year 2020, domestic energy consumption will reach 222 MTOE, while domestic production will be at 70 MTOE, or 30% of national demand [47]. These indicators show that Turkey is forced to increase its dependence on foreign energy supplies. Thus, the accurate estimating of energy demand is very critical factor in the Turkey's energy policy making. The goal of this study is to provide that accurate estimating model of energy demand using PSO.

In the following section, a brief description of the problem and literature survey about the solution is given. In the Section 3, the concept of swarm intelligence and the basic PSO algorithm is

given. Energy demand forecasting model (EESPO), which is developed for Turkey case, is explained in the Section 4. Results of energy demand forecasting obtained by proposed approach, comparisons with other methods and future projections are presented in Section 5. Finally, the study is concluded in Section 6 with suggestions on future researches.

2. Literature Review

Energy modeling is a subject of widespread current interest among engineers and scientists concerned with problems of energy production and consumption [37]. First applications on energy demand forecasting in Turkey are done by State Planning Organization (SPO). SPO initiated the use of simple regression techniques for energy forecasting at that time [44]. These forecasts consistently predicted much higher values than the consumption that actually occurred.

Modern econometric techniques have been applied for energy planning and estimation of future energy demands in 1984 first (Figure 2). Model for analysis of energy demand (MAED) which is a kind of simulation model and developed by International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) was started to be used by Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources of Turkey (MENR) [28]. MAED is used to estimate the medium and long term energy demand, considering the relationships between several factors that affect the social, economic and technologic system of the country [14].

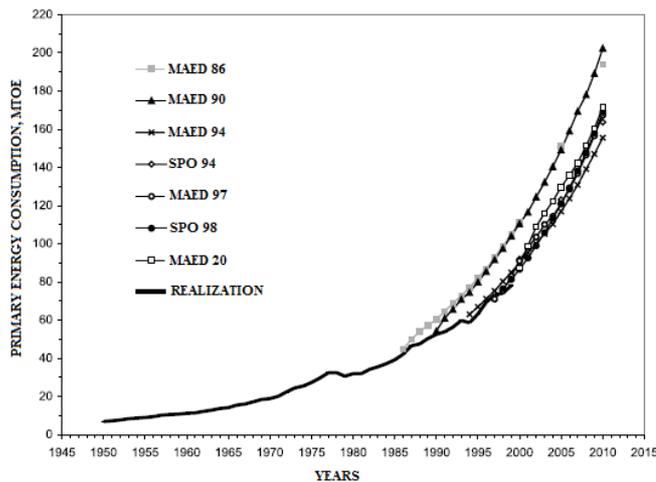


Fig.2: Important MAED applications and some projections by SPO and realization in Turkey between the 1950-2010 years[14]

Except aforementioned methods, many models have been developed from many researches using various forms of mathematical formulations, which are directly or indirectly related to energy development models to find a relation between energy consumption and income ([43],[25], [45],[17],[22],[13] and[11]). For energy forecasting, statistical models are also considered by Ediger and Tatlıdil[14],Sarak and Satman[35], Yumurtacıand Asmaz[46],Görücü and Gümrah[18], Aras and Aras [2], Ediger and Akar[15] andErdoğan[16]. Except mentioned statistical models, Çeliktaş and Koçar[12]used Delphi method for evaluating Turkey's renewable energy future. A two-round Delphi research study was undertaken to determine and measure the expectations of the sector representatives regarding the foresight of renewable energies. First and second round of Delphi study were carried out by using online surveys. Akay and Atak [1] proposed an approach using gray prediction with rolling mechanism (GPRM) to predict the Turkey's total and industrial electricity consumption. Ceylan et al. [10] proposed a new

method for estimating transport energy demand using a harmony search approach.

In the energy estimation literature,meta-heuristic methods, which are used to solve combinatorialoptimization problem, have been rarely applied toestimate energy consumption [40].A summary of techniques, used so far for energy demand forecasting is given in Table 1. In 2004, genetic algorithm model approach began to be used for estimating energy, electricity, transport energy, gas, oil, and exergy demand/consumption byCanyurt et al. [5], Ceylan and Öztürk [8], Öztürk et al. [32], Öztürk et al. [33], Öztürk et al. [34], Ceylan et al. [9], Haldenbilen and Ceylan [20],Canyurt and Öztürk [6], Canyurt and Öztürk[7]. After GA applications, Artificial Neural Networks, that is one of the artificial intelligence techniques, is used for forecasting energy, electricity, transport energy and gas demand/consumption by Görücü et al. [19], Sözen et al. [37], Murat and Ceylan [29], Sözen and Arcaklıoğlu [38], Hamzaçebi [21], Sözen [39], Kavaklıoğlu et al. [24] and Kankal et al. [23]. Swarm intelligence approach is also applied for forecasting energy and electricity demand of Turkey. While Ant Colony Optimization(ACO) is used by Toksarı [40], [41]; PSO is used by Ünler [44] to estimate Turkey energy demand.

In addition to studies mentioned above, proposed approach (EESPO) is applied to estimate energy demand of Turkey in this study. The proposed model is compared ACO [40] and PSO [44] models to show the advantages and availability of proposed method.

3. Particle Swarm Optimization

The Particle Swarm Optimization is one of the recent meta-heuristic techniques proposed by Kennedy and Eberhart [26] based on natural flocking and swarming behavior of birds and insects.It is initialized with a population of random solutions and searches for optima by updating generations. In PSO, the potentialsolutions, or particles, move through the problem space by following the current optimum particles [27]. The concept of PSO gained in popularity due to its simplicity. Like other swarm-based techniques, PSO consists of a number of individual refining their knowledge of the given search space [3]. However, unlike GA, the PSO algorithm has no evolutionary operators, such as crossover and mutation. The individuals in a PSO have a position and a velocity and are denoted as particles. The PSO algorithm works by attracting the particles to search space positions of high fitness. Each particle has a memory function, and adjusts its trajectory according to two pieces of information, the best position that it has so far visited, and the global best position attained by the whole swarm [27].

The system is initialized with a population of random solutions (particles) and searches iteratively through the d-dimensional problem space for optima by updating generations [44].Each particle keeps a memory of its previous best position, $pbest$, and a velocity along each dimension, represented as $V_i = (v_{i1}, v_{i1}, \dots, v_{id})$.When a particle takes all the population as its topological neighbors, the best value is a global best and is called $gbest$.Many attempts were made to improve the performance of the original PSO algorithm and several new parameters were introduced such as the inertia weight. The canonical PSO with inertia weight has become very popular and widely used in many science and engineering problems [3].

The PSO concept consists of, at each time step, changing the velocity (V) of (accelerating) each particle toward its $pbest$ location according to Eq. (1). The new position of the particle is determined by the sum of previous position and the new velocity which is given in Eq. (2) [44]:

Table 1. Studies on forecasting energy demand in Turkey

Method Used	Author(s)	Forecasting For
Genetic Algorithm (GA)	Canyurt et al. [5]	Energy demand
	Ceylan and Öztürk[8]	Energy demand
	Öztürk et al. [32]	Petroleum exergy demand
	Öztürk et al. [33]	Energy demand
	Öztürk et al. [34]	Electricity demand
	Ceylan et al. [9]	Energy and exergy consumption
	Haldenbilen and Ceylan[20]	Transport energy demand
	Canyurt and Öztürk[6]	Oil demand
	Canyurt and Öztürk[7]	Fossil fuel demand
	Görücü et al. [19]	Gas consumption
Artificial Neural Network (ANN)	Sözen et al. [37]	Energy consumption
	Murat and Ceylan[29]	Transport energy demand
	Sözen and Arcaklıoğlu[38]	Energy consumption
	Hamzaçebi[21]	Electricity consumption
	Sözen[39]	Energy dependency
	Kavaklıoğlu et al. [24]	Electricity consumption
	Kankal et al. [23]	Energy consumption
	Toksarı[40]	Energy demand
	Toksarı[41]	Electricity demand
	Ediger and Akar[15]	Primary energy demand
Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (ARIMA), Seasonal Autoregressive Integrated Moving Average (SARIMA)	Erdoğan[16]	Electricity demand
	Akay and Atak[1]	Electricity demand
Grey Prediction with Rolling Mechanism (GPRM)	Yumurtaçı and Asmaz[46]	Electricity demand
Linear Regression (LR)	Ediger and Tatlıdil[14]	Primary energy demand
Winters' Exponential Smoothing Method and Cycle Analysis	Sarak and Satman[35]	Natural gas demand
Modeling Based on Degree-day Concept	Görücü and Gümrah[18]	Gas consumption
Multivariable Regression Model	Aras and Aras [2]	Natural gas demand
First order Autoregressive Time Series Model	Ceylan et al. [10]	Transport energy demand
Harmony Search Algorithm (HSA)	Ozcelik and Hepbaşlı[31]	Petroleum energy consumption
Simulated Annealing (SA)	Ünler[44]	Energy demand
Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)		

$$v_{id}(t+1) = w \cdot v_{id}(t) + c_1 \cdot rand_1 \cdot (pbest_{id}(t) - x_{id}(t)) + c_2 \cdot rand_2 \cdot (gbest_{id}(t) - x_{id}(t)) \quad (1)$$

$$x_{id}(t+1) = x_{id}(t) + v_{id}(t+1) \quad (2)$$

Where c_1 and c_2 determine the relative influence of the social and cognitive components (learning factors), while $rand_1$ and $rand_2$ denote two random numbers uniformly distributed in the interval $[0, 1]$. w is a parameter called inertia weight used to control the impact of the previous velocities on the current one. In proposed PSO, inertia value of the equation changes on the each iteration. This change is based on the logic of decreasing

from the value determined to minimum value according to inertia function. The objective is to converge the created speed by diminishing on the further iterations; hence more similar results can be obtained [30]. Inertia function is obtained as follow:

$$w = w_{max} - \left(\frac{w_{max} - w_{min}}{iter_{max}} \right) * iter \quad (3)$$

Where w_{max} is the first and maximum inertia force, w_{min} is minimum inertia force and $iter_{max}$ is maximum iteration number.

Table 2. Energy demand, GDP, population, import and export data of Turkey ([42], [28])

Year	Energy demand (MTOE)	GDP (\$10 ⁹)	Population (10 ⁶)	Import (\$10 ⁹)	Export (\$10 ⁹)
1979	30.71	82.00	43.53	5.07	2.26
1980	31.97	68.00	44.44	7.91	2.91
1981	32.05	72.00	45.54	8.93	4.70
1982	34.39	64.00	46.69	8.84	5.75
1983	35.70	60.00	47.86	9.24	5.73
1984	37.43	59.00	49.07	10.76	7.13
1985	39.40	67.00	50.31	11.34	7.95
1986	42.47	75.00	51.43	11.10	7.46
1987	46.88	86.00	52.56	14.16	10.19
1988	47.91	90.00	53.72	14.34	11.66
1989	50.71	108.00	54.89	15.79	11.62
1990	52.98	151.00	56.10	22.30	12.96
1991	54.27	150.00	57.19	21.05	13.59
1992	56.68	158.00	58.25	22.87	14.72
1993	60.26	179.00	59.32	29.43	15.35
1994	59.12	132.00	60.42	23.27	18.11
1995	63.68	170.00	61.53	35.71	21.64
1996	69.86	184.00	62.67	43.63	23.22
1997	73.78	192.00	63.82	48.56	26.26
1998	74.71	207.00	65.00	45.92	26.97
1999	76.77	187.00	66.43	40.67	26.59
2000	80.50	200.00	67.42	54.50	27.78
2001	75.40	146.00	68.37	41.40	31.33
2002	78.33	181.00	69.30	51.55	36.06
2003	83.84	239.00	70.23	69.34	47.25
2004	87.82	299.00	71.15	97.54	63.17
2005	91.58	361.00	72.97	116.77	73.48

4. PSO Energy Demand Estimation (EEPSO)

Four indicators (population, GDP, import and export) were used in energy demand estimating models which are proposed based on PSO. These indicators are commonly used in literature ([40], [44], [41] and [3]) and believed that energy demand of a country is mostly affected by them. Table 2 shows four indicators and energy demand of Turkey between 1970 and 2005. The data are collected from Turkish Statistical Institute (TSI) [42] and the MENR. Data until 2005 is used to make a comparison other models which are developed for the same problem.

As it seen in Table 2, it is clear that there is a linear relationship between four indicators and energy demand. For example, while GDP, population, import and export of Turkey increased 3.4; 0.63; 22 and 31.5 times respectively, energy consumption of Turkey has increased 1.98 times between 1979-2005 years.

In this study, the estimation of energy demand based on economic indicators was modeled by using various forms, e.g. linear (Eq. (4)) and quadratic (Eq. (5)). Linear form (EEPSOL) can be expressed as,

$$E_{linear} = w_1.X_1 + w_2.X_2 + w_3.X_3 + w_4.X_4 + w_5 \quad (4)$$

and quadratic form (EEPSOQ) can be expressed as,

$$E_{quadratic} = w_1.X_1 + w_2.X_2 + w_3.X_3 + w_4.X_4 + w_5.X_1.X_2 + w_6.X_1.X_3 + w_7.X_1.X_4 + w_8.X_2.X_3 + w_9.X_2.X_4 + w_{10}.X_3.X_4 + w_{11}.X_1^2 + w_{12}.X_2^2 + w_{13}.X_3^2 + w_{14}.X_4^2 + w_{15} \quad (5)$$

EEPSO model optimizes coefficients (w_i) of the design parameters (X_i), which are included by models, concurrently. In energy demand estimating, the aim is to find the fittest model to the data. The fitness function of the model is given by,

$$\text{Min}f(v) = \sum_{i=1}^n (E_i^{observed} - E_i^{predicted})^2 \quad (6)$$

where $E_{observed}$ and $E_{predicted}$ are the actual and predicted energy demand, respectively, n is the number of observations. The EEPSO algorithm is composed of 4 mainsteps:

Step1. Initialize a defined population of particles with random positions (X_i), velocities (V_i) and set iteration number, c_1 , c_2 and $w_{max-min}$ values. For the problem, random positions are input variables values.

Step2. Compute the objective values of all particles. Define own best position of each particle and its objective value $pbest$ equal to its initial position and objective value, and define global best position and its objective value $gbest$ equal to the best initial particle position and its objective value. For the problem, objective function is total forecasting error which uses sum square errors.

Step3. Change velocities and positions by using Eqs. (1) and (2) according to obtained feedbacks from $pbest$ and $gbest$.

Step4. Repeat step 2 and step 3 until the predefined number of iterations is completed. For the proposed model, iteration number is used for the stopping algorithm.

5. Estimation of Turkey Energy Demand

Turkey's energy demand by using the structure of the Turkey socio-economic conditions is the main objective of this study. EEPSO models (linear (EEPSOL) and quadratic (EEPSOQ)) are developed to estimate the future energy demand values based on population, GDP (gross domestic product), import and export figures (Table 2). The EEPSO model was coded with MATLAB 2009 and run on a Pentium IV, 1.66 GHz, 2 GB RAM notebook computer. One of the important problems is setting the best parameters of PSO. Four important factors, particle size, inertia weight (w), maximum iteration number ($iter$) and $c_{1,2}$ are considered. According to Shi and Eberhart [36] c_1 and c_2 have a fixed value as 2. Hence, in this study these fixed values are also used. The other parameters except inertia weight (w) is considered with the same of Ünler [44]; as particle size: 20 and as maximum iteration number: 1000. A few statistical experiments are performed in order to find the best value of w_{max} and w_{min} . As a result of the statistical analysis, w_{max} and w_{min} are determined as 0.7 and 0.5. Twenty-seven data (1979–2005) were used to determine the weighting parameters of EEPSO models. EEPSOL and EEPSOQ models with aforementioned parameters and data were tested 20 times and best results were considered. Following EEPSO (linear and quadratic) equations have been obtained for energy forecasting. In the linear form, coefficients obtained are given below:

$$E_{linear} = 0,003806X_1 + 1,912274X_2 + 0,373543X_3 - 0,483516X_4 - 55,899070 \quad (7)$$

$$f(v)_{linear} = 41,712004$$

In the quadratic form of the proposed EEPSO model, coefficients obtained are given below:

$$E_{quadratic} = -0,005446X_1 + 0,044550X_2 - 0,431963X_3 + 1,039665X_4 + 0,004848X_1.X_2 + 0,008802X_1.X_3 - 0,006318X_1.X_4 - 0,006640X_2.X_3 - 0,002213X_2.X_4 + 0,002804X_3.X_4 - 0,001327X_1^2 + 0,009923X_2^2 - 0,006355X_3^2 - 0,003039X_4^2 + 1,254002 \quad (8)$$

$$f(v)_{quadratic} = 21,533157$$

where X_1 is GDP, X_2 is population, X_3 is import, X_4 is export and $f(v)$ is sum of squared errors. Ten data (1996–2005) were used to validate the models. Table 3 shows relative errors between estimated and observed data.

Table 3. Energy demand estimation of proposed models between 1996 and 2005 years

Years	Observed energy demand (MTOE)	Estimated energy demand (MTOE)		Relative errors (%)	
		Linear (EEPSOL)	Quadratic (EEPSOQ)	Linear (EEPSOL)	Quadratic (EEPSOQ)
1996	69.86	69.70	69.68	-0.22	-0.25
1997	73.78	72.31	72.70	-1.99	-1.46
1998	74.71	73.29	74.08	-1.90	-0.84
1999	76.77	74.18	74.94	-3.37	-2.38
2000	80.50	80.71	81.22	0.26	0.89
2001	75.40	75.70	75.21	0.40	-0.25
2002	78.33	79.13	79.58	1.02	1.59
2003	83.84	82.36	83.46	-1.76	-0.45
2004	87.82	87.18	87.11	-0.73	-0.81
2005	91.58	93.10	92.11	1.66	0.57

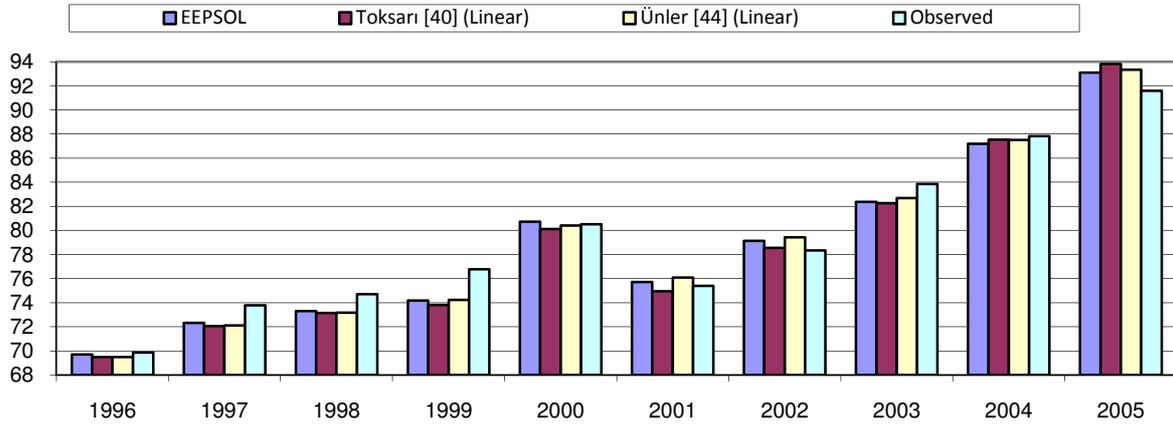


Fig.3: Comparisons of energy demand in linear form

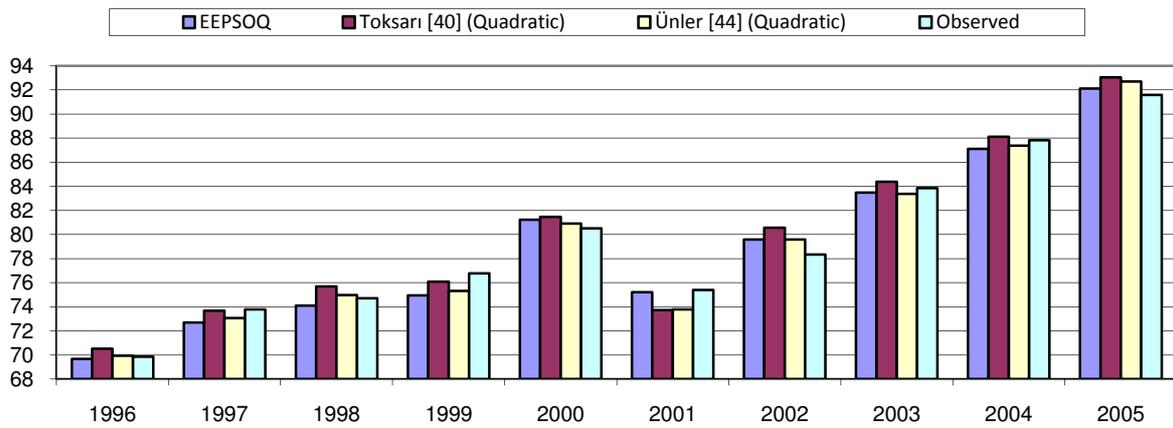


Fig.4: Comparisons of energy demand in quadratic form

According to Table 3, proposed EEPSO approach for energy demand estimation are very robust and successful. Although the largest deviation is 3.37% for linear form and -2.38% for quadratic form, they are quite acceptable levels. The largest deviations are obtained in 1999 because of the decreasing in GDP, import and export in that year (Table 2). Results show that quadratic form provided better fit estimation than the linear form due to the fluctuations of the economic indicators. It is also observed that while proposed EEPSOL approach is providing better fit estimation than Toksarı [40] and Ünler [44] in linear form (Figure 3), EEPSOQ remains between Toksarı [40] and Ünler [44] in quadratic form (Figure 4). When twenty seven data is considered (1979-2005), proposed approach finds less relative error than the other studies in both of linear and quadratic forms. Tables 4 and 5 give coefficients and forecasting relative errors of each study in linear and quadratic forms.

Table 4. Comparisons of coefficients and relative errors in linear form

Coefficients	EEPSOL	Toksarı [40]	Ünler [44]
W ₁	0.0038	0.0124	0.0021
W ₂	1.9122	1.8102	1.9126
W ₃	0.3735	0.3524	0.3431
W ₄	-0.4835	-0.4439	-0.4240
W ₅	-55.8990	-51.3046	-55.9022
Relative error	41.7120	45.7239	42.6139

In order to show the accuracy of proposed models, three scenarios are used for forecasting Turkey's energy demand in the years 2006–2025 and they are compared with Toksarı's [40]

ACO, Ünler's [44] PSO models and MENR projections. Each scenario is explained below [40];

Scenario 1: It is assumed that the average growth rate of GDP is 6%, population growth rate is 0.17%, import growth rate is 4.5%, and export growth rate is 2% during the period of 2006–2025.

Scenario 2: It is assumed that the average growth rate of GDP is 5%, population growth rate is 0.15%, import growth rate is 5%, and proportion of import covered by export is 45% during the period of 2006–2025.

Scenario 3: It is assumed that the average growth rate of GDP is 4%, population growth rate is 0.18%, import growth rate is 4.5%, and export growth rate 3.5% during the period of 2006–2025.

Table 5. Comparisons of coefficients and relative errors in quadratic form

Coefficients	EEPSOQ	Toksarı [40]	Ünler [44]
W ₁	-0.0054	-0.4820	-0.4820
W ₂	0.0445	4.7370	4.7370
W ₃	-0.4319	1.0937	1.0937
W ₄	1.0396	-2.8935	-2.9350
W ₅	0.0048	0.0188	0.0188
W ₆	0.0088	0.0230	0.0230
W ₇	-0.0063	-0.0255	-0.0255
W ₈	-0.0066	-0.0625	-0.0625
W ₉	-0.0022	0.1014	0.1014
W ₁₀	0.0028	0.0915	0.0915
W ₁₁	-0.0013	-0.0027	-0.0027
W ₁₂	0.0099	-0.0466	-0.0466
W ₁₃	-0.0063	-0.0389	-0.0387
W ₁₄	-0.0030	-0.0651	-0.0651
W ₁₅	1.2540	-96.4418	-96.4408
Relative error	21.5331	27.9470	27.6640

Table 6. Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 1

Year	MENR Projections	Linear			Quadratic		
		EEPSOL	Toksarı [40]	Ünler [44]	EEPSOQ	Toksarı [40]	Ünler [44]
2006	99.64	94.67	95.50	94,80	94.35	96.07	95.94
2007	107.63	96.32	97.27	96,33	96.77	99.39	99.46
2008	111.63	98.06	99.15	97,94	99.38	103.01	103.33
2009	119.03	99.88	101.11	99,63	102.18	106.94	107.50
2010	126.27	101.79	103.18	101,40	105.16	111.18	112.06
2011	133.98	103.80	105.35	103,26	108.34	115.74	116.92
2012	142.86	105.91	107.64	105,21	111.69	120.62	122.17
2013	150.89	108.13	110.03	107,26	115.21	125.81	127.75
2014	160.21	110.46	112.56	109,40	118.87	131.29	133.66
2015	170.15	112.91	115.21	111,66	122.65	137.03	139.87
2016	178.46	115.48	118.01	114,02	126.51	143.00	146.39
2017	187.92	118.18	120.95	116,50	130.39	149.13	153.13
2018	198.91	121.01	124.02	119,10	134.23	155.36	159.97
2019	210.24	123.99	127.26	121,83	137.94	161.58	166.88
2020	222.42	127.11	130.67	124,69	141.42	167.65	173.78
2021	-	130.40	134.24	127,69	144.53	173.43	180.37
2022	-	133.84	138.01	130,84	147.11	178.69	186.59
2023	-	137.46	141.96	134,15	148.97	183.20	192.13
2024	-	141.26	146.12	137,61	149.85	186.63	196.71
2025	-	145.25	150.50	141,23	150.48	188.60	199.94

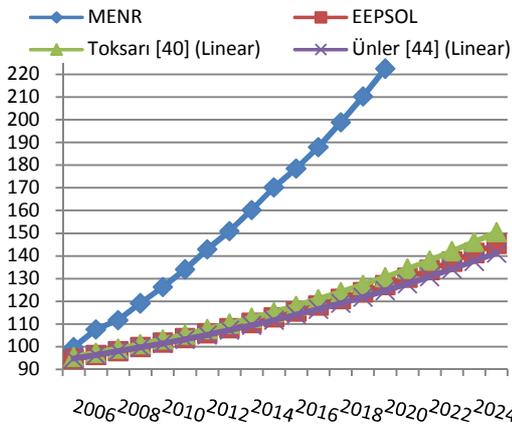


Fig.5: Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 1 (linear form)

Table 6, Figures 5 and 6 show the estimated values for two forms of proposed approach for the Scenario 1. Proposed EEPSOQ form gives lower forecasts of the energy demand than the Toksarı [40], Ünler [44] and MENR projections (Figure 6). The proposed EEPSOL form also gives lower estimates of the energy demand than the Toksarı [40] and MENR projections. It gives a bit higher estimation values than Ünler's [44] linear model (Figure 5). As a result, proposed quadratic form is better than proposed linear form according to Scenario 1.

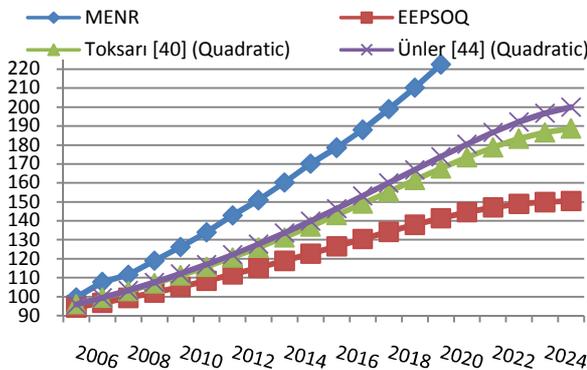


Fig.6: Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 1 (quadratic form)

Table 7, Figures 7 and 8 show the estimated values for two forms of proposed approach for the Scenario 2. As can be seen from Figure 7, three linear studies (Toksarı [40]; Ünler [44]; EEPSOL) give nearly the same estimation that proposed EEPSOL method is lower than Toksarı [40] higher than Ünler [44]. Proposed EEPSOQ form gives lower forecasts of the energy demand than Toksarı [40] and Ünler [44] (Figure 8). As a result, proposed quadratic form is better than proposed linear form according to Scenario 2, too.

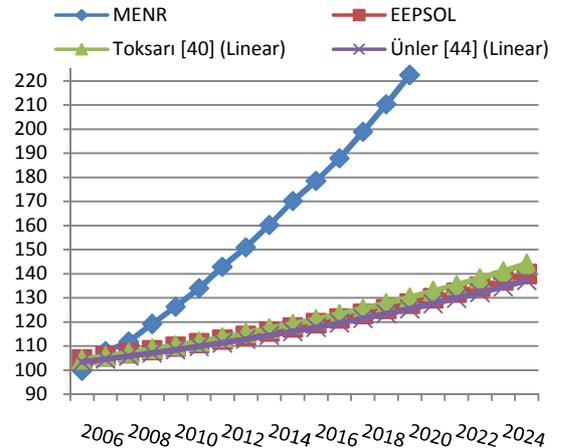


Fig.7: Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 2 (linear form)

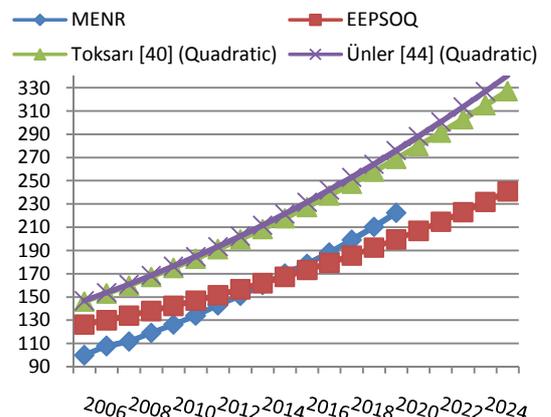


Fig.8: Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 2 (quadratic form)

Table 7. Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 2

Year	MENR Projections	Linear			Quadratic		
		EEPSOL	Toksari [40]	Ünler [44]	EEPSOQ	Toksari[40]	Ünler [44]
2006	99.64	104.40	104.40	103.34	126.18	145.96	146.67
2007	107.63	105.64	105.77	104.52	129.90	152.71	153.62
2008	111.63	106.93	107.20	105.75	133.81	159.75	160.87
2009	119.03	108.27	108.69	107.04	137.92	167.10	168.46
2010	126.27	109.67	110.24	108.37	142.24	174.74	176.40
2011	133.98	111.13	111.86	109.77	146.77	182.70	184.65
2012	142.86	112.66	113.56	111.22	151.53	190.97	193.28
2013	150.89	114.24	115.32	112.74	156.53	199.56	202.25
2014	160.21	115.90	117.19	114.32	161.79	208.47	211.66
2015	170.15	117.63	119.12	115.97	167.31	217.71	221.42
2016	178.46	119.44	121.14	117.69	173.12	227.27	231.55
2017	187.92	121.33	123.24	119.49	179.22	237.16	242.04
2018	198.91	123.30	125.45	121.37	185.63	247.37	252.97
2019	210.24	125.36	127.75	123.33	192.38	257.90	264.26
2020	222.42	127.51	130.15	125.38	199.47	268.74	275.98
2021	-	129.76	132.69	127.52	206.92	279.88	288.13
2022	-	132.11	135.32	129.76	214.77	291.30	300.63
2023	-	134.57	138.07	132.10	223.01	302.99	313.53
2024	-	137.14	140.96	134.55	231.69	314.92	326.82
2025	-	139.83	143.98	137.10	240.82	327.07	340.47

Estimated values for two forms of proposed approach for the Scenario 3 could be seen in Table 8 and Figures 9 and 10. When Figure 9 presents that the estimated values for linear form of proposed method (EEPSOL), EEPSOL gives lower estimates of energy demand than Toksari's [40] linear model and MENR projections. It is also lower than Ünler's [44] linear model until 2011 then they give nearly the same estimation. In quadratic form, as it can be seen from Figure 10, proposed EEPSOQ model gives the lowest forecasts of the energy demand. As it is in Scenario 1 and 2, proposed quadratic form is better than proposed linear form according to Scenario 3.

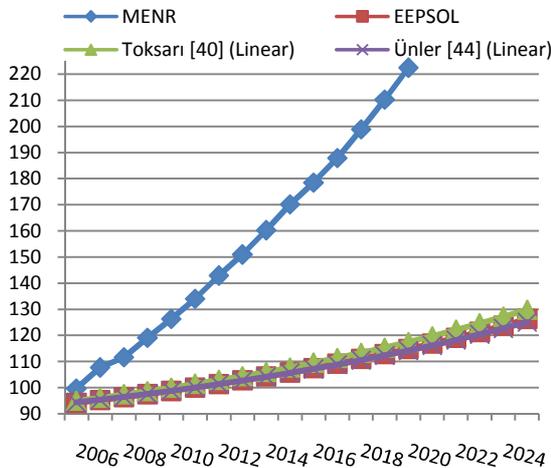


Fig.9: Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 3 (linear form)

When all three scenarios are examined, proposed EEPSo method with its linear and quadratic forms gives lower and realistic estimations than MENR projections. Developed EEPSoL model always estimate lower values than Toksari's [40] linear model and also estimated energy demand values of EEPSoL are closer to Ünler's [44] linear model. When two forms are considered, it is clear that EEPSoL gives lower forecasts of the energy demand than the EEPSoQ. Hence, both EEPSoL and EEPSoQ should be used to estimate the energy demand of Turkey to make more efficient and realistic estimations.

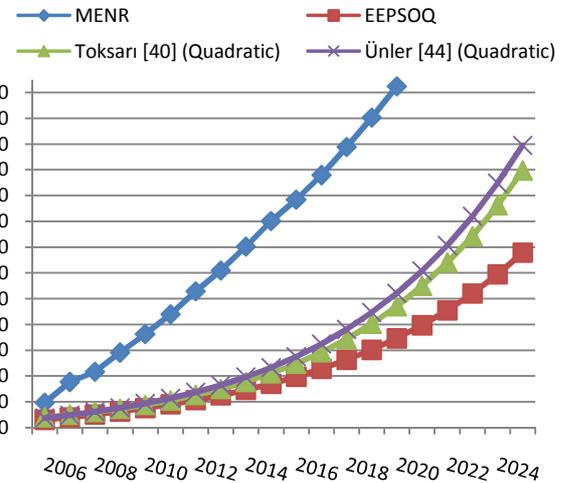


Fig.10: Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 3 (quadratic form)

6. Conclusion

Planning and estimating of energy is quite important to make sustainable energy policy for countries. The relation between energy demand and socio-economic development of a country shows the importance of the need for systematic optimization of the energy demand estimation in Turkey. That's why, in this study, estimation of Turkey's energy demand based on PSO is suggested via considering GDP, population, import and export indicators. Two forms (linear and quadratic) of the EEPSo model are developed because of fluctuations of the economic indicators. 27 years data (1979-2005) is used to show the availability and advantages of proposed approach than the previous studies. Three scenarios are proposed to forecast Turkey's energy demand in the years 2006–2025 using the two forms of the EEPSo. They are compared with the MENR, Toksari's [40] and Ünler's [44] projections. In this study, the following main conclusions may be drawn:

- While the largest deviation is 3.37% for linear form (EEPSOL), the largest deviation is 2.38% for quadratic form (EEPSOQ) in modeling with 27 years data (1979-2005). Then, it is observed that quadratic EEPSo provided better fit solution than linear form due to the fluctuations of the economic indicators.

Table 8. Future projections of total energy demand in MTOE according to Scenario 3

Year	MENR Projections	Linear			Quadratic		
		EEPSOL	Toksarı [40]	Ünler [44]	EEPSOQ	Toksarı [40]	Ünler [44]
2006	99.64	94.12	94.94	94.32	92.99	93.88	93.70
2007	107.63	95.19	96.11	95.36	93.96	94.84	94.83
2008	111.63	96.31	97.34	96.44	95.03	95.95	96.13
2009	119.03	97.49	98.62	97.58	96.21	97.24	97.62
2010	126.27	98.72	99.97	98.77	97.52	98.74	99.35
2011	133.98	100.01	101.39	100.01	98.99	100.49	101.36
2012	142.86	101.36	102.86	101.31	100.64	102.53	103.70
2013	150.89	102.77	104.40	102.67	102.50	104.92	106.42
2014	160.21	104.26	106.01	104.09	104.60	107.71	109.58
2015	170.15	105.81	107.71	105.59	106.97	110.97	113.24
2016	178.46	107.44	109.48	107.15	109.66	114.76	117.49
2017	187.92	109.15	111.35	108.78	112.72	119.17	122.41
2018	198.91	110.95	113.28	110.50	116.19	124.29	128.08
2019	210.24	112.83	115.31	112.30	120.13	130.21	134.63
2020	222.42	114.80	117.46	114.18	124.61	137.04	142.15
2021	-	116.88	119.69	116.16	129.69	144.91	150.78
2022	-	119.05	122.04	118.23	135.46	153.95	160.66
2023	-	121.33	124.49	120.40	142.01	164.31	171.95
2024	-	123.73	127.07	122.67	149.43	176.15	184.82
2025	-	126.24	129.79	125.06	157.85	189.66	199.46

- According to results of modeling and scenario analysis, it is clear that particle swarm optimization technique gives better forecasts than ant colony optimization technique.
- While EEPSON gives lower relative error than Toksarı's [40] linear model with 8.77% and Ünler's [44] linear model with 2.12%, EEPSON gives lower relative error than Toksarı's [40] quadratic model with 22.95% and Ünler's [44] quadratic model with 22.16%.
- The estimation of energy demand of Turkey using EEPSON form is underestimated and EEPSON form has close estimations when the results are compared with Toksarı's [40], Ünler's [44] and MENR projections (2006-2025). So, it can be say that EEPSON forms, especially EEPSON is more realistic and acceptable.
- All test problems and scenarios show that both of linear and quadratic forms should be reliable.

It is concluded that the suggested models are satisfactory tools for successful energy demand forecasting. The results presented here provide helpful insight into energy system modeling. They could be also instrumental to scholars and policy makers as a potential tool for developing energy plans.

Future works should be focused on comparing the methods presented here with other available tools. Forecasting of energy demand can also be investigated with bee colony optimization, artificial bee colony, bacterial foraging optimization, fuzzy logic, artificial neural networks or other meta-heuristic such as tabu search, simulated annealing, etc. The results of the different methods can be compared with the PSO methods.

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