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Review Report 1



Comments and Suggestions for Authors

In this paper, the authors a model base on geographically temporally weighted regression, to determine the factors affecting the constantly increase of COVID-19 cases.

In my opinion the paper needs to change many things in order to be published. The most important errors are summarized as follows:

The **ABSTRACT** is not a really summary and it not include the key findings. The abstract is not the right place to have a discussion. Acronyms are used that are not recommended in an

abstract. They use certain subjective and unproven expressions such as "is de best model". In my opinion it must be rewritten in its entirety.

Regarding to the **INTRODUCTION** section, It is one of the worst parts of the article. In my opinion, the introduction should attract the reader's attention and explain why the researchers conducted the study. This is not done at all in the propose paper. Questions as "what is the reason for the study?, what do the authors intend to investigate?, how is the study designed? or what is the motivation for the study?" are not answered.

For a scientific paper, there are nonsense phrases as: "it is urgent to Application...."

In addition the authors say that the paper presets two novelties: the use of GTWR model and the use of the latest COVID-19 data. Do the authors think that the use of COVID-19 data is a novelty?

In short, superfluous and unnecessary information is added but the main information is omitted. It must be changed.

In section two there are some preliminaries and data (subsections 2., 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4.1) and the main part of the paper, the methodology used in the model (subsection 2.4.2). The authors must divide this section in two: 3. Preliminaries and Data; 4. Methodology.

In section 2.4.2 de the author must to include a flowchart, this helps to describe how the paper works.

RESULTS and DISCUSSION section is, without a doubt, the best of the paper, but even so, it must be improved. In my opinion, the section must be divided into two parts: Experimental Results and Discussion. In the first part, the results of the different parts of the model should be shown: Spatial distribution mapping, description of covid-19 cumulative data..., GTWR. In the Discussion section a study and analysis of the results should be carry out with their advantages over other existing models. In fact, a comparison with other models is not made, and this makes the paper a bit weak.



Comments and Suggestions for Authors

The paper is a very interesting and good quality equations and analysis about the COVID-19.

- 1. Abstract should require improve the English and avoid the Grammar errors.
- 2. The results discuss in the abstract section.
- 3. Author should check Mapping GIS used but GIS mapping is good word in the Keywords line.
- 4. References is a very old found in the article so many paper published on the COVID-19, author should read and add the new latest references in the overall paper.
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- 7. I have checked whole article then decided for major revision and resubmit the article. Best of luck

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