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Preface

The fifty-second issue of the *Econometrics* contains eight articles. The first of them, by Marek Walesiak, is related to the visualization of linear ordering results with the application of multidimensional scaling. Radosław Mącik, in his article presents practical and theoretical remarks of the visualisation of nominal data. The article by Marcin Pełka and Andrzej Dudek is dedicated to regression analysis for interval-valued symbolic data. Justyna Brzezińska presents a polytomous item response theory models using R. The next article is related to the measure of spirituality and sensitivity at the workplace. This paper was written by Maria Straś-Romanowska, Jolanta Kowal and Magdalena Kapała. The article by Iwona Dittmann is related to open-end debt investment funds and bank deposits in Poland in the years from 1995 to 2015. Jan Kaczmarzyk presents in his article reflecting interdependencies between risk factors in corporate risk modelling using the Monte Carlo simulation. The last article, by Eliza Khemissi, concerns the problem of the monotonicity of some popular risk measures.

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