

What about the friction of distance. Migrants are more likely to travel to closer countries

Problems with the correlation coefficient

It presumes migrants have perfect knowledge. But it may be that their perceptions of different countries is more important. Do they make decisions based on actual facts?

Spearman's Rank only looks at two variables, so you can only see how one factor affects migration. In this case PPP.

What, if other factors are important?

- Unemployment
- Freedom - religious, cultural, political
- Quality of life
- Would something like the HDI which measures levels of development be better