

Poverty Measurement and Policy Making

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In this paper we present a new methodology aiming at aiding policy makers to design policies for poverty reduction. The methodology explores usual data and consists in three distinct parts. The first uses clustering methods in order to identify different types of poverty among the population considered. The second aids the policy maker to construct priorities through a capability analysis of the identified clusters. The third one assigns individual households to the priority classes. The methodology is tested against real data from Burkina Faso.