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$y=ax+b $; (1)

here:

y – is the first variable;

a – is the second variable;

x – is the third variable;

b – is the fourth variable.

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1. This chapter presents the detailed conclusions of the study. If the paper includes objectives, it is advisable to relate the conclusions to the objectives.

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