

# Opinion Based Fuzzy Measurement Model

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## ABSTRACT

*This paper proposes a fuzzy measurement model for decision-making which is fully based on respondents' opinion. The usage of fuzzy concept in determining the importance of criteria and performance ratings allows the measurement to consider the imprecise and vague human judgment. As respondents involved in the decision-making process may have different perspective, thus in this paper the linguistic terms represented by fuzzy numbers were developed based on respondents' opinion. The fuzzy measurement model consists of two phases which are the development of linguistic terms based on respondents' opinion and the performance measurement based on the developed fuzzy numbers. The applicability of the proposed fuzzy measurement model is demonstrated in a case study of quality award assessment of four departments in one higher institution in Malaysia. The proposed model considers the contribution of human judgment throughout the performance measurement process which is the rationale of implementing fuzzy concept.*

**Keywords:** Fuzzy measurement; fuzzy numbers; quality award; respondents' opinion.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Measuring the performance of alternatives is an important procedure for many applications such as approximate reasoning, decision-making, optimization, forecasting and control. However, to determine the best alternative is not an easy task as it involves human judgement which is vague, imprecise and uncertain. In decision-making, many studies has applied fuzzy concept which consider the existing of uncertainty in the performance measurement process. Wu [1] proposed a method for measuring the performance of alternatives based on data envelopment analysis and fuzzy preference relations. Moon *et al.* [2] developed a system for measuring the performance appraisal of military organization using fuzzy mean value concept and electronic nominal group techniques. Wang and Chen [3] presented a model for measuring the performance of high school teachers based on fuzzy number arithmetic operations.

In other studies, Yang and Hsieh [4] has applied Delphi fuzzy multiple criteria decision-making method in measuring the performance of project criteria of national quality award. Ramli *et al.* [5] has measured the quality of teaching performance with outliers' data by using fuzzy approach. Aydin *et al.* [6] has used fuzzy analytic hierarchy process in measuring the performance of firms for quality management excellence award. Da Silva [7] has employed the extended fuzzy TOPSIS from [8] to measure the performance of services in a health

insurance company. Awasthi [9] has applied fuzzy TOPSIS and fuzzy simple aggregated weighting for measuring the performance quality of supplier under lack of quantitative information and multiple perspectives. Recently, Kumar *et al.* [10] has used fuzzy extended ELECTRE approach for measuring the performance quality of green suppliers.

However, in many fuzzy decision-making cases, the linguistic terms used are represented by fixed triangular or trapezoidal fuzzy numbers which were taken from the literature. Respondents involved in the decision-making process may have different perspective on the representation of fuzzy numbers for the linguistic terms [11]. According to [12], decision makers have the option to define their own range for the linguistic term to be used in the evaluation process. Similarly, Li and Kuo [13] stated that it is possible to construct fuzzy numbers according to decision makers. Thus, there is a need to consider the linguistic terms represented by fuzzy numbers based on respondents' opinion. Besides that, the linguistic terms developed based on respondents will portray the contribution of human judgment throughout the measurement process which is the rationale of implementing fuzzy concept.

This paper proposes a fuzzy measurement model for decision-making which is fully based on human judgment throughout the evaluation process. The applicability of the proposed fuzzy measurement model is demonstrated in a case study of quality award assessment of four departments in one higher institution in Malaysia.

This paper is organized as follows: Section 2 presents the basic concepts of fuzzy numbers and the ranking fuzzy numbers (RFNs) method by Wang and Lee [14]. The proposed fuzzy measurement model is presented in Section 3. In Section 4, the applicability of the proposed fuzzy measurement model is demonstrated in a case study of quality award and its results are given in detail. Finally, the conclusion is given in Section 5.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Fuzzy numbers are an important element in the research of fuzzy set theory. Fuzzy numbers can be defined in the forms of triangular, trapezoidal, bell-shaped and other appropriate shaped membership functions.

*Definition:* A fuzzy number  $A$  is a fuzzy set in the universe discourse  $X = \mathfrak{R}$  with the membership function defined as,

$$f_A(x) = \begin{cases} \mu_A^L(x), & a_1 \leq x \leq a_2 \\ 1, & a_2 \leq x \leq a_3 \\ \mu_A^R(x), & a_3 \leq x \leq a_4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $\mu_A^L$  and  $\mu_A^R$  are the left and right membership functions of the fuzzy number  $A$  respectively.

## 2.1 Triangular Fuzzy Numbers

In solving decision making in fuzzy environment, triangular fuzzy number is one of the most common types of fuzzy numbers used in practice [15]. A triangular fuzzy number denoted as  $A = (a, b, d)$  has a membership function defined as,

$$\mu_A(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-a}{b-a}, & a \leq x \leq b \\ \frac{d-x}{d-b}, & b \leq x \leq d \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

## 2.2 Revised RFNs Method based on Area between Centroid and Original Points

The RFNs method based on area between centroid and original points was proposed by Chu and Tsao [16] with the centroid point  $(x(A), y(A))$  defined as follows:

$$x(A) = \frac{\int_{a_1}^{a_2} x\mu_A^L(x)dx + \int_{a_2}^{a_3} xdx + \int_{a_3}^{a_4} x\mu_A^R(x)dx}{\int_{a_1}^{a_2} \mu_A^L(x)dx + \int_{a_2}^{a_3} dx + \int_{a_3}^{a_4} \mu_A^R(x)dx} \quad \text{and} \quad y(A) = \frac{\int_0^w yg_A^L(y)dy + \int_0^w yg_A^R(y)dy}{\int_0^w g_A^L(y)dy + \int_0^w g_A^R(y)dy} \quad (2)$$

where  $g_A^L$  and  $g_A^R$  are the inverse function of  $f_A^L$  and  $f_A^R$  respectively.

Wang and Lee [14] found that the method produces counterintuitive results and degrades the importance value of  $x$ . To improve [16], they [14] presented a revised method for RFNs  $A$  and  $B$  based on the following situations:

- (i) If  $x(A) \prec x(B)$ , then  $A \prec B$ .
- (ii) If  $x(A) \succ x(B)$ , then  $A \succ B$ .
- (iii) If  $x(A) = x(B)$ , then
  - If  $y(A) \prec y(B)$ , then  $A \prec B$
  - else if  $y(A) \succ y(B)$ , then  $A \succ B$ .
  - else  $y(A) = y(B)$ , then  $A \approx B$ .

## 3. OPINION BASED FUZZY MEASUREMENT MODEL

The proposed opinion based fuzzy measurement model consists of two phases with phase one is the development of linguistic terms in the form of triangular fuzzy numbers based on respondents' opinion. Phase two is the evaluation process for importance level of criterion and ratings on alternatives.

### 3.1 Development of Linguistic Terms based on Opinion

The respondents have to determine the range of scaling for each linguistic term used, where the range for the linguistic terms must be between 0 to 100. The lower and upper values must be logically related to its linguistic term.

For  $k$  respondents, the lower limit, modal and upper limit of the respect linguistic terms denoted as  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $d$  respectively, are given as

$$a = \min(L_1, L_2, L_3, K, L_k),$$

$$d = \max(U_1, U_2, U_3, K, U_k),$$

$$b = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k M_i}{k} \quad (3)$$

where

$L_i$  is the lower limit of range of the respect linguistic term for  $i$ -th respondent,

$U_i$  is the upper limit of range of the respect linguistic term for  $i$ -th respondent,

$M_i = \frac{1}{2}(L_i + U_i)$  of the respected linguistic term for  $i$ -th respondent, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

### 3.2 Evaluation for Importance and Performance Level

Decision makers evaluate the importance level of each criterion and the performance of each alternative. The evaluation process uses fuzzy linguistic terms throughout the process. The evaluation procedures are presented as follows:

Step 1: Determine the fuzzy weight of each criterion. For  $K$  decision maker, the fuzzy weight  $\tilde{w}_i$  of each criterion is defined as

$$\tilde{w}_i = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \tilde{w}_i^k}{K} \quad (4)$$

where  $\tilde{w}_i^k$  is the importance weight of criterion  $X_i$  by the  $k$ -th decision maker.

Step 2: Determine the fuzzy grade of each alternative with respect to each sub-criterion. For  $K$  decision maker, the fuzzy grade  $\tilde{g}_{ij,m}$  of alternative  $m$  with respect to sub-criterion  $X_{ij}$  is defined as

$$\tilde{g}_{ij,m} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \tilde{x}_{ij,m}^k}{K} \quad (5)$$

where  $\tilde{x}_{ij,m}^k$  is rating of sub-criterion  $X_{ij}$  for alternative  $m$  by the  $k$ -th decision maker.

Step 3: Determine the fuzzy grade of each alternative with respect to each criterion. For  $p$  sub criteria of criterion  $X_i$ , the fuzzy grade  $\tilde{g}_{mi}$  of alternative  $m$  with respect to criterion  $X_i$  is defined as

$$\tilde{g}_{mi} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^p \tilde{g}_{ij,m}}{p} \quad (6)$$

Step 4: Build the fuzzy grade matrix  $\tilde{G}$  defined as

$$\tilde{G} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} X_1 & X_2 & L & X_k \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \\ A_3 \\ A_4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{g}_{11} & \tilde{g}_{12} & L & \tilde{g}_{1k} \\ \tilde{g}_{21} & \tilde{g}_{22} & L & \tilde{g}_{2k} \\ M & M & O & M \\ \tilde{g}_{n1} & \tilde{g}_{n2} & L & \tilde{g}_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \quad (7)$$

where  $\tilde{g}_{mi}$  denotes the fuzzy grade of the  $m$ -th alternative  $A_m$  with respect to the  $i$ -th criterion  $X_i$ ,  $1 \leq m \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $n$  denotes the number of alternatives and  $k$  denotes the number of criteria.

Step 5: Calculate the total fuzzy grade vector  $\tilde{R}$  with

$$\tilde{R} = \tilde{G} \otimes \tilde{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{g}_{11} & \tilde{g}_{12} & L & \tilde{g}_{1k} \\ \tilde{g}_{21} & \tilde{g}_{22} & L & \tilde{g}_{2k} \\ M & M & O & M \\ \tilde{g}_{n1} & \tilde{g}_{n2} & L & \tilde{g}_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{w}_1 \\ \tilde{w}_2 \\ M \\ \tilde{w}_k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{R}_1 \\ \tilde{R}_2 \\ M \\ \tilde{R}_n \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

where  $\tilde{W} = [\tilde{w}_1 \ \tilde{w}_2 \ \dots \ \tilde{w}_k]^T$ ,  $\tilde{w}_i$  is the fuzzy weight of criterion  $X_i$  and  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $\tilde{R}_m$  denotes the total fuzzy grade of the  $m$ -th alternative  $A_m$  and  $1 \leq m \leq n$ .

Step 6: Rank the total fuzzy grade  $\tilde{R}_m$  using the revised centroid ranking method from [14].

#### 4. A CASE STUDY

The applicability of the proposed fuzzy measurement model is demonstrated in a case study of quality award assessment in a government higher institution in Malaysia. The management review report (MRR) of four departments (namely as  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $A_3$  and  $A_4$ ) in the higher institution will be evaluated. The institution considered eight criteria for the quality award which are (i) leadership  $X_1$  (ii) strategic planning  $X_2$  (iii) customer focus  $X_3$  (iv)

measurement, analysis and knowledge  $X_4$  (v) workforce focus  $X_5$  (vi) process management  $X_6$  (vii) results  $X_7$  and, (vii) innovation  $X_8$ . Each of  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ ,  $X_3$ ,  $X_4$ ,  $X_6$  and  $X_8$  are divided into two sub-criteria, while  $X_5$  and  $X_7$  are divided into three and four sub-criteria respectively. Two sets of questionnaires were constructed where set one is the questionnaire for determining the scale for linguistic terms. Seven respondents whom are the head of quality in the institution filled the questionnaire. The second set of questionnaires is to determine the importance and performance levels of MRR for each department. Three appointed decision makers involved in the evaluation process.

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#### 4.2 Development of Linguistic Terms

The scaling of importance level and performance given by the seven respondents are shown in Table 1 and 2 respectively.

Table 1: Respondents' Opinions for Importance Level

Respondent	Very Low (VL)	Low (L)	Medium Low (ML)	Medium (M)	Medium High (MH)	High (H)	Very High (VH)
1	0-15	15-30	30-46	46-55	55-70	70-85	85-100
2	0-15	15-20	20-40	40-60	60-70	70-85	85-100
3	0-30	30-50	50-60	60-70	70-80	80-90	90-100
4	0-10	10-15	15-30	30-50	50-70	70-90	90-100
5	0-10	10-30	30-50	50-70	70-80	80-90	90-100
6	0-10	10-30	30-50	50-70	70-80	80-90	90-100
7	0-10	10-30	30-50	50-70	70-80	80-90	90-100

Table 2: Respondents' Opinions for Performance Level

Respondent	Very Poor (VP)	Poor (P)	Medium Poor (MP)	Fair (F)	Medium Good (MG)	Good (G)	Very Good (VG)
1	0-15	15-30	30-46	46-55	55-70	70-85	85-100
2	0-10	10-18	18-35	35-65	65-80	80-90	90-100
3	0-20	20-40	40-50	50-60	60-75	75-85	85-100
4	0-10	10-15	15-30	30-50	50-70	70-90	90-100
5	0-10	10-30	30-50	50-70	70-80	80-90	90-100
6	0-10	10-30	30-50	50-70	70-80	80-90	90-100
7	0-10	10-30	30-50	50-70	70-80	80-90	90-100

Table 3 shows the calculation for triangular fuzzy number (TFN) of Very Poor (VP) based on Eq. (3). respectively.

Table 3: Calculation for TFN Very Poor

Respondent, $i$	$L_i$	$U_i$	$M_i = \frac{1}{2}(L_i + U_i)$
1	0	15	7.5
2	0	10	5
3	0	20	10
4	0	10	5
5	0	10	5
6	0	10	5
7	0	10	5
	$\min(L_i)$	$\max(U_i)$	$average(M_i)$
TFN	0	20	6.071

Thus, the linguistic term for Very Poor is (0, 6.071, 20). By using similar technique, the linguistic term for importance and performance levels based on respondents' opinion are given as in Tables 4 and 5 respectively.

Table 4: Linguistic Terms for Importance Level based on Respondents' Opinion

Linguistic term	TFN
Very Low (VL)	(0, 7.143, 30)
Low (L)	(10, 21.786, 50)
Medium Low (ML)	(15, 37.929, 60)
Medium (M)	(30, 55.071, 70)
Medium High (MH)	(50, 69.643, 80)
High (H)	(70, 82.143, 90)
Very High (VH)	(85, 94.286, 100)

Table 5: Linguistic Terms for the Performance Level based on Respondents' Opinion

Linguistic term	TFN
Very Poor (VP)	(0, 6.071, 20)
Poor (P)	(10, 19.857, 40)
Medium Poor (MP)	(15, 36, 50)
Fair (F)	(30, 53.643, 70)
Medium Good (MG)	(50, 69.643, 80)
Good (G)	(70, 82.5, 90)
Very Good (VG)	(85, 94.286, 100)

Based on Tables 4 and 5, the spread of TFN is not symmetric where the right and left spreads of the TFN are not equal. However, in most of the fixed TFN used in literature, the spread is symmetric. This shows that respondents' opinion affected the representation of TFNs for linguistic term where the spread may not be symmetric.

### 4.3 Evaluation of Importance and Performance Level

Three decision makers  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$  and  $D_3$  evaluate the importance level of each criterion  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ ,  $X_3$ ,  $X_4$ ,  $X_6$  and  $X_8$ . The evaluation for importance level for criterion  $X_1$  is given in Table 6.

Table 6: The Evaluation for Importance Level of Criterion  $X_i$

Criteria	Evaluator $D_1$	Evaluator $D_2$	Evaluator $D_3$
$X_1$	MH	ML	H

Three decision makers  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$  and  $D_3$  evaluate the performance of alternative for each sub-criterion  $X_{ij}$ . Table 7 shows the ratings for department  $A_3$  for sub-criteria  $X_{11}$  and  $X_{12}$ .

Table 7: The Performance Ratings for Sub-criteria  $X_{11}$  and  $X_{12}$  for Department  $A_3$

Criteria	Sub-criteria	Evaluator $D_1$	Evaluator $D_2$	Evaluator $D_3$
$X_1$	$X_{11}$	MP	MG	F
	$X_{12}$	MP	MG	F

Based on Table 6 and Eq. (4), the fuzzy weight  $X_1$  for the importance level is given as follows

$$\tilde{w}_1 = \frac{(50,69.643,80)+(15,37.929,60)+(70,82.143,90)}{3} = (45,63.238,76.667)$$

The fuzzy weighted vector for eight criteria according to the importance level is represented as follows

$$\tilde{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{w}_1 \\ \tilde{w}_2 \\ \tilde{w}_3 \\ \tilde{w}_4 \\ \tilde{w}_5 \\ \tilde{w}_6 \\ \tilde{w}_7 \\ \tilde{w}_8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (45, 63.238, 76.667) \\ (38.333, 59.072, 73.333) \\ (25, 43.119, 63.333) \\ (38.333, 58.381, 73.333) \\ (25, 43.119, 63.333) \\ (18.333, 38.262, 60) \\ (75, 86.191, 93.333) \\ (25, 43.119, 63.333) \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

Based on the fuzzy weight  $\tilde{w}_i$  in Eq. (9) and the centroid ranking formulae in Eq. (2), the  $x(\tilde{w}_i)$  and  $y(\tilde{w}_i)$  are given in Table 8.



Table 8:  $x(\tilde{w}_i)$  and  $y(\tilde{w}_i)$

Fuzzy number, $\tilde{w}_i$	$x(\tilde{w}_i)$	$y(\tilde{w}_i)$
$\tilde{w}_1$	61.635	0.503
$\tilde{w}_2$	56.913	0.505
$\tilde{w}_3$	43.817	0.498
$\tilde{w}_4$	56.683	0.504
$\tilde{w}_5$	43.817	0.498
$\tilde{w}_6$	38.865	0.498
$\tilde{w}_7$	84.841	0.502
$\tilde{w}_8$	43.817	0.498

Based on decision makers' opinions for performance level, the fuzzy grade  $\tilde{g}_{ij,m}$  can be determined by Eq. (5). Based on Table 7 and Eq. (5), the fuzzy grade  $\tilde{g}_{12,3}$  of department  $A_3$  with respect to sub-criterion  $X_{12}$  is shown as follows:

$$\tilde{g}_{12,3} = \frac{[(15, 36, 50) + (50, 69.643, 80) + (30, 53.643, 70)]}{3} = (31.667, 53.095, 66.667).$$

The fuzzy grades  $\tilde{g}_{ij,m}$  of each department  $A_m$  with respect to each sub-criterion  $X_{ij}$  are presented as in Table 9.

Table 9: The Fuzzy Grade of each Department with respect to each Sub-criterion

Criteria	Sub-criteria	Department $A_1$	Department $A_2$	Department $A_3$	Department $A_4$
$X_1$	$X_{11}$	(43.333,64.310,76.667)	(63.333,78.214,86.667)	(31.667,53.095,66.667)	(36.667,58.976,73.333)
	$X_{12}$	(50,68.595,80)	(56.667,73.929,83.333)	(31.667,53.095,66.667)	(36.667,58.976,73.333)
$X_2$	$X_{21}$	(63.333,78.214,86.667)	(56.667,73.929,83.333)	(31.667,53.095,66.667)	(50,68.595,80)
	$X_{22}$	(50,69.643,80)	(56.667,73.929,83.333)	(36.667,58.976,73.333)	(38.333,58.429,70)
$X_3$	$X_{31}$	(43.333,64.310,76.667)	(50,68.595,80)	(25,47.762,63.333)	(36.667,58.976,73.333)
	$X_{32}$	(50,69.643,80)	(56.667,73.929,83.333)	(23.333,42.381,60)	(31.667,53.095,66.667)
$X_4$	$X_{41}$	(36.667,58.976,73.333)	(43.333,64.310,76.667)	(25,47.762,63.333)	(31.667,53.095,66.667)
	$X_{42}$	(30,53.643,70)	(36.667,58.976,73.333)	(20,41.881,56.667)	(25,47.762,63.333)
$X_5$	$X_{51}$	(36.667,58.976,73.333)	(50,68.595,80)	(25,47.762,63.333)	(30,53.643,70)
	$X_{52}$	(50,68.595,80)	(56.667,73.929,83.333)	(20,41.881,56.667)	(30,53.643,70)
	$X_{53}$	(43.333,64.310,76.667)	(50,69.643,80)	(20,41.881,56.667)	(30,53.643,70)

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$X_6$	$X_{61}$	(63.333,78.214,86 .667)	(56.667,73.929,83 .333)	(25,47.762,63 .333)	(50,68.595,80)
	$X_{62}$	(50,69.643,80)	(56.667,73.929,83 .333)	(20,41.881,56 .667)	(43.333,64.310,76 .667)
$X_7$	$X_{71}$	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)	(13.333,30.619,46 .667)	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)
	$X_{72}$	(30,53.643,70)	(43.333,64.310,76 .667)	(10,26.024,40)	(30,53.643,70)
	$X_{73}$	(30,53.643,70)	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)	(10,26.024,40)	(31.667,53.095,66 .667)
	$X_{74}$	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)	(43.333,64.310,76 .667)	(10,26.024,40)	(31.667,53.095,66 .667)
$X_8$	$X_{81}$	(31.667,53.095,66 .667)	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)	(18.333,36.5,53.3 33)	(31.667,53.095,66 .667)
	$X_{82}$	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)	(18.333,36.5,53.3 33)	(36.667,58.976,73 .333)

Based on Table 9, the fuzzy grade  $\tilde{g}_{mi}$  of alternative  $m$  with respect to criterion  $X_i$  can be determined by Eq. (6). For example, the calculation for fuzzy grade  $\tilde{g}_{17}$  of campus  $A_1$  with respect to criterion  $X_7$  is shown as follows:

$$\tilde{g}_{17} = \frac{(36.667, 58.976, 73.333) + (30, 53.643, 70) + (30, 53.643, 70) + (36.667, 58.976, 73.333)}{4}$$

$$= (33.334, 56.310, 71.667)$$

In similar manner, we can obtain  $\tilde{g}_{mi}$  for  $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, 8$  and  $\forall m = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

Further, the fuzzy grade matrix  $G$  as defined in Eq. (7) is presented as follows:

$$\tilde{G} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} X_1 & X_2 & X_3 & X_4 \\ X_1 & (46.667,66.453,78.334) & (56.667,73.929,83.334) & (46.667,66.977,78.334) & (33.334,56.310,71.667) \\ X_2 & (60,76.072,85) & (56.667,73.929,83.333) & (53.334,71.262,81.667) & (40,61.643,75) \\ X_3 & (31.667,53.095,66.667) & (34.167,56.036,70) & (24.167,45.072,61.667) & (22.5,44.822,60) \\ X_4 & (36.667,58.976,73.333) & (44.167,63.512,75) & (34.167,56.036,70) & (28.334,50.429,65) \\ X_5 & (43.333,63.96,76.667) & (56.667,73.929,83.334) & (33.334,56.31,71.667) & (34.167,56.036,70) \\ X_6 & (52.222,70.722,81.111) & (56.667,73.929,83.333) & (40,61.643,75) & (36.667,58.976,73.333) \\ X_7 & (21.667,43.841,58.889) & (22.5,44.822,60) & (10.833,27.173,41.667) & (18.333,36.5,53.333) \\ X_8 & (30,53.643,70) & (46.667,66.453,78.334) & (32.5,54.702,69.167) & (34.167,56.036,70) \end{matrix} \\ \end{matrix} \quad (10)$$

Based on the fuzzy weighted vector  $\tilde{W}$  in Eq. (8), (9) and (10) the total fuzzy grade vector  $\tilde{R}$  can be determined. The calculation for total fuzzy grade  $\tilde{R}_1$  of campus  $A_1$  is shown as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}_1 &= (\tilde{g}_{11} \times \tilde{w}_1) + (\tilde{g}_{12} \times \tilde{w}_2) + (\tilde{g}_{13} \times \tilde{w}_3) + (\tilde{g}_{14} \times \tilde{w}_4) + (\tilde{g}_{15} \times \tilde{w}_5) + (\tilde{g}_{16} \times \tilde{w}_6) + (\tilde{g}_{17} \times \tilde{w}_7) + (\tilde{g}_{18} \times \tilde{w}_8) \\ &= [(46.667, 66.453, 78.334) \times (45, 63.238, 76.667)] + [(56.667, 73.929, 83.334) \times (38.333, 59.072, 73.333)] + \\ &+ [(46.667, 66.977, 78.334) \times (25, 43.119, 63.333)] + [(33.334, 56.31, 71.667) \times (38.333, 58.381, 73.333)] + \\ &+ [(43.333, 63.96, 76.667) \times (25, 43.119, 63.333)] + [(56.667, 73.929, 83.334) \times (18.333, 38.262, 60)] + \\ &+ [(33.334, 56.31, 71.667) \times (75, 86.191, 93.333)] + [(34.167, 56.036, 70) \times (25, 43.119, 63.333)] \\ &= (12193.124, 27601.098, 43311.246) \end{aligned}$$

In the same way, we can get the total fuzzy grade vector  $\tilde{R}$  as follow.

$$\tilde{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{R}_1 \\ \tilde{R}_2 \\ \tilde{R}_3 \\ \tilde{R}_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (12193.124, 27601.098, 43311.246) \\ (13999.987, 29583.492, 45081.302) \\ (6426.374, 18749.264, 33146.267) \\ (10180.592, 24828.310, 40344.375) \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

Based on Eq. (2) and (11), the ranking order of  $\tilde{R}_m$  is shown in Table 10. Based on Table 8 and the ranking index by [19], the ranking order is  $\tilde{w}_8 \succ \tilde{w}_6 \approx \tilde{w}_5 \approx \tilde{w}_3 \succ \tilde{w}_4 \succ \tilde{w}_2 \succ \tilde{w}_1 \succ \tilde{w}_7$ . This shows that the three decision makers ranked criterion  $X_7$  (results) as the most important, followed by  $X_1$  (leadership),  $X_2$  (strategic planning) and  $X_4$  (measurement, analysis and knowledge). Criteria  $X_3$  (customer focus),  $X_5$  (workforce) and  $X_8$  (innovations) have equal importance and  $X_6$  (process management) is the least important. Table 10 shows the comparison of weight for each criterion with the previous studies.

Table 10: The Ranking Order of  $\tilde{R}_1, \tilde{R}_2, \tilde{R}_3$  and  $\tilde{R}_4$

Fuzzy number, $\tilde{R}_m$	$x(\tilde{R}_i)$	$y(\tilde{R}_i)$	Ranking order
$\tilde{R}_1$	27701.823	0.499	2
$\tilde{R}_2$	29554.927	0.500	1
$\tilde{R}_3$	19440.635	0.499	4
$\tilde{R}_4$	25117.759	0.498	3
Total ordering	$\tilde{R}_2 \succ \tilde{R}_1 \succ \tilde{R}_4 \succ \tilde{R}_3$		

Table 11: Weight Comparison with Previous Studies

Criteria	Ranking				Proposed model
	[17]	[18]	[19]	[20]	
Leadership, $X_1$	2	7	2	2	5
Strategic planning, $X_2$	6	8	5	4	4
Customer focus, $X_3$	3	3	4	4	2
Measurement, analysis and knowledge, $X_4$	5	5	8	3	3
Workforce, $X_5$	4	4	7	4	2
Process management, $X_6$	7	6	6	4	1
Results, $X_7$	1	2	1	1	6
Innovations, $X_8$	-	1	3	-	2

Table 11 indicates that process management  $X_6$ , was pinpointed by decision makers as the leading factor affecting the quality award measurement process and followed by customer focus  $X_3$ , workforce  $X_5$  and innovations  $X_8$ . The leadership  $X_1$  and results  $X_7$  were identified as the least importance to the quality award assessment. The relatively higher and lower importance of criterion  $X_8$  (innovations) and criterion  $X_1$  (leadership) were also consistent with [18]. However, the lower contribution of leadership  $X_1$  and results  $X_7$  are found contradicting with [20], [17] and [19]. The most crucial factor process management  $X_6$  is also found contradicting with [17].

Based on Eq. (10), the ranking order for criteria  $X_1$  (leadership),  $X_3$  (customer focus),  $X_4$  (measurement, analysis and knowledge),  $X_5$  (workforce) and  $X_7$  (results) is  $A_2 \succ A_1 \succ A_4 \succ A_3$ . For criteria  $X_2$  (strategic planning) and  $X_6$  (process management), the ranking is  $A_2 \approx A_1 \succ A_4 \succ A_3$  while for criterion  $X_8$  (innovation) the ranking is  $A_2 \succ A_1 \approx A_4 \succ A_3$ . This shows that for all criteria, department  $A_2$  is ranked as the best while department  $A_3$  is ranked as the worst. Based on Table 9, the final ranking result is  $A_2 \succ A_1 \succ A_4 \succ A_3$ . This means that department  $A_2$  is ranked as the best, followed by departments  $A_1$ ,  $A_4$  and  $A_3$ . The final ranking result is consistent with the importance level where for all criteria, department  $A_2$  is ranked as the best while department  $A_3$  is ranked as the worst. However, in [4], the best selection project has the best criteria in leadership  $X_1$  and customer focus  $X_3$ . While the lowest ranked project has the lowest in criteria, workforce  $X_5$  and results  $X_7$ .

## 5. CONCLUSION

This paper proposes a fully human judgment measurement model for fuzzy decision-making process. The measurement process starts with the development of linguistic terms represented by TFNs based on respondents' opinion. The spread of TFNs obtained is not symmetric compared to most of the fixed TFNs used in literature [5], [21]. This indicates that the expression of linguistic terms in TFNs form is affected by respondents' opinion. The proposed method also considers both the importance level of each criterion and the performance level of each alternative based on human judgment throughout the process. The proposed fuzzy measurement model considers the contribution of human judgment throughout the evaluation which is the rationale of implementing fuzzy concept. This proposed performance measurement model can be applied for other applications which focus on total decision makers' expectation and need.

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