# Multiple Criteria Decision Making (MCDM) using TOPSIS

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#### Case Study I

#### M3 model is best

Model	Corr	R <sup>2</sup>	RMSE	Accuracy
M1	0.79	0.62	1.57	60.89
M2	0.66	0.44	2.89	63.07
M3	0.82	0.67	1.25	80.39
M4	0.56	0.31	2.68	70.19
M5	0.75	0.56	1.3	62.87

#### Case Study II

#### Which model is best?

Model	Corr	Rseq	RMSE	Accuracy
M1	0.79	0.62	1.25	60.89
M2	0.66	0.44	2.89	63.07
M3	0.56	0.31	1.57	62.87
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M5	0.75	0.56	1.3	80.39

## Poor Approach

We cannot <u>add or average</u> all the parameters.

#### **Example:**

Selection of a cricket player.

- Batsman
- Bowler
- All rounder (Hardik Pandya)

# This is known as multiple-criteria decision making problem.

#### **Solution is TOPSIS**

(Technique for Order of Preference by Similarity to Ideal Solution)

#### **Case Study II**

#### Output

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M5	0.75	0.56	1.3	80.39

<b>Topsis Score</b>	Rank
0.55	5
0.87	1
0.6	4
0.79	2
0.66	3

#### Implementation in R

```
#install.packages("topsis")
library(topsis)
mydata=read.csv('data.csv')
d \leftarrow as.matrix(mydata[,-1])
                                   // Drop 1st column
w \leftarrow c(1, 1, 1, 1)
                                   // Weights
i \leftarrow c("+","+","-","+")
                                  // Impacts
topsis(d, w, i)
```

#### Applications

#### Selection of Mobile Phone

Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	250 \$	16 GB	12 MP	Excellent
Mobile 2	200\$	16 GB	8 MP	Average
Mobile 3	300 \$	32 GB	16MP	Good
Mobile 4	275 \$	32 GB	8MP	Good
Mobile 5	225 \$	16 GB	16 MP	Below Average

#### Other Applications

- Selection of Car
- Selection of Home
- Selection of Life Partner
- ..... and many more

## **Project Idea 1**

# Develop an APP for selection of singers for Indian Idol.

Singer ID	Sur	Taal	Laye	Pitch	Pace	<b>Topsis Score</b>	Rank
<b>S1</b>	0.79	0.62	1.25	60.89	11	0.55	5
<b>S2</b>	0.66	0.44	2.89	63.07	20	0.87	1
<b>S3</b>	0.56	0.31	1.57	62.87	16	0.6	4
<b>S4</b>	0.82	0.67	2.68	70.19	16	0.79	2
S5	0.75	0.56	1.3	80.39	20	0.66	3

Algorithmic approach give same result always

#### **Some Points**

- 1. Advantage: Algorithmic approach give same result always rather than human judge.
- 2. Organize a Hackthon with leaderboard.
- 3. Helpful in data collection
- 4. Validate the approach with multiple human Don't depend 100% on algorithm selection.
- 5. Reduction in labor intensive job; select top 10% or 20% or 30%.

## Project Idea 2

- Selection of models for an Ad
- Selection of Photogenic face

Eyes	Nose	Forehead	Lips	Chin	<b>Topsis Score</b>	Rank
0.79	0.62	1.25	60.89	11	0.55	5
0.66	0.44	2.89	63.07	20	0.87	1
0.56	0.31	1.57	62.87	16	0.6	4
0.82	0.67	2.68	70.19	16	0.79	2
0.75	0.56	1.3	80.39	20	0.66	3
	0.79 0.66 0.56 0.82	0.79	0.79       0.62       1.25         0.66       0.44       2.89         0.56       0.31       1.57         0.82       0.67       2.68	0.79       0.62       1.25       60.89         0.66       0.44       2.89       63.07         0.56       0.31       1.57       62.87         0.82       0.67       2.68       70.19	0.79     0.62     1.25     60.89     11       0.66     0.44     2.89     63.07     20       0.56     0.31     1.57     62.87     16       0.82     0.67     2.68     70.19     16	0.79       0.62       1.25       60.89       11       0.55         0.66       0.44       2.89       63.07       20       0.87         0.56       0.31       1.57       62.87       16       0.6         0.82       0.67       2.68       70.19       16       0.79

## Self Study

#### **Mathematics for Topsis**

Learn the Mathematics for Topsis from Youtube.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRBdrCB1K4k

#### **Mathematics of TOPSIS**

#### **Input:** Given Dataset of mobile phones

Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	250 \$	16 GB	12 MP	Excellent
Mobile 2	200\$	16 GB	8 MP	Average
Mobile 3	300 \$	32 GB	16MP	Good
Mobile 4	275 \$	32 GB	8MP	Good
Mobile 5	225 \$	16 GB	16 MP	Below Average

**Output:** Select the best Mobile

Given\*: (1) Weights (2) Impacts

\* Assume yourself if not given

#### Step 1: Convert categorical to numeric

#### **Convert Looks to Numerical**

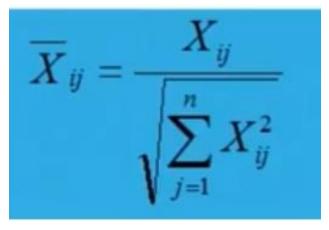
Using 5 poi	nt Scale
Low	1
Below Average	2
Average	3
Good	4
Excellent	5

Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
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Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	250 \$	16 GB	12 MP	5
Mobile 2	200\$	16 GB	8 MP	3
Mobile 3	300 \$	32 GB	16MP	4
Mobile 4	275 \$	32 GB	8MP	4
Mobile 5	225 \$	16 GB	16 MP	2

#### Step 2.1: Vector Normalization

#### **Calculate** Root of Sum of Squares



Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	250 \$	16 GB	12 MP	5
Mobile 2	200\$	16 GB	8 MP	3
Mobile 3	300 \$	32 GB	16MP	4
Mobile 4	275 \$	32 GB	8MP	4
Mobile 5	225 \$	16 GB	16 MP	2
	564.579	53.0659	28	8.3666

For Price 
$$250^2 + 200^2 + 300^2 + 275^2 + 225^2 = 318750$$
  
 $\sqrt{318750} = 564.579$ 

#### Step 2.2: Vector Normalization

## Find Normalized Decision Metrix Divide every column value its Root of Sum of Squares

Attribute Or  Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	250 564.57.9	16 53.0659	$\frac{12}{28}$	5 8.3666
Mobile 2	200 564.579	16 53.0659	$\frac{8}{28}$	3 8.3666
Mobile 3	300 564.579	32 53.0659	$\frac{16}{28}$	4 8.3666
Mobile 4	$\frac{275}{564.579}$	$\frac{32}{53.0659}$	$\frac{8}{28}$	4 8.3666
Mobile 5	225 564.579	$\frac{16}{53.0659}$	$\frac{16}{28}$	$\frac{2}{8.3666}$

Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	0.4428	0.3015	0.4286	0.5976
Mobile 2	0.3542	0.3015	0.2857	0.3586
Mobile 3	0.5314	0.6030	0.5714	0.4781
Mobile 4	0.4871	0.6030	0.2857	0.4781
Mobile 5	0.3985	0.3015	0.5714	0.2390

Value in every cell is known as Normalized performance value.

### Step 3.1: Weight Assignment

#### Assign weight to every columns (0.25)

Weightage	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	0.4428	0.3015	0.4286	0.5976
Mobile 2	0.3542	0.3015	0.2857	0.3586
Mobile 3	0.5314	0.6030	0.5714	0.4781
Mobile 4	0.4871	0.6030	0.2857	0.4781
Mobile 5	0.3985	0.3015	0.5714	0.2390

<sup>\*</sup>Weights can be (1,1,1,1) or (1,1,0.5,0.5) or (1,1,2,2)

### Step 3.2: Weight Assignment

#### **Calculate** Weight × Normalized performance value

Weightage	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Attribute Or • Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	0.4428*0.25	0.3015*0.25	0.4286*0.25	0.5976*0.25
Mobile 2	0.3542*0.25	0.3015*0.25	0.2857*0.25	0.3586*0.25
Mobile 3	0.5314*0.25	0.6030*0.25	0.5714*0.25	0.4781*0.25
Mobile 4	0.4871*0.25	0.6030*0.25	0.2857*0.25	0.4781*0.25
Mobile 5	0.3985*0.25	0.3015*0.25	0.5714*0.25	0.2390*0.25

Weightage	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	0.1107	0.0754	0.1071	0.1494
Mobile 2	0.0886	0.0754	0.0714	0.0896
Mobile 3	0.1328	0.1508	0.1429	0.1195
Mobile 4	0.1218	0.1508	0.0714	0.1195
Mobile 5	0.0996	0.0754	0.1429	0.0598

Known as weighted normalized decision matrix

#### Step 4: Find Ideal Best and Ideal Worst

- Calculate <u>ideal best</u> value and <u>ideal worst</u> value
- Impacts: Price (-) Storage (+) Camera(+) Looks (+)
   -ve means → min is best | +ve means → max is best

Weightage

- For price min value is best
- For storage, camera,
   Looks <u>max</u> value is
   best

$\longrightarrow$	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Attribute Or  Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks
Mobile 1	0.1107	0.0754	0.1071	0.1494
Mobile 2	0.0886	0.0754	0.0714	0.0896
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Mobile 4	0.1218	0.1508	0.0714	0.1195
Mobile 5	0.0996	0.0754	0.1429	0.0598
$V_j^+$	0.0886	0.1508	0.1429	0.1494
$V_j^-$	0.1328	0.0754	0.0714	0.0598

$$V_j^+$$
 = ideal best  
 $V_j^-$  = ideal worst

#### Step 5: Calculate Euclidean distance

Calculate Euclidean distance from ideal best value and ideal worst value

$$S_{i}^{+} = \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{m} (V_{ij} - V_{j}^{+})^{2} \right]^{0.5}$$

$$S_{i}^{-} = \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{m} (V_{ij} - V_{j}^{-})^{2} \right]^{0.5}$$

### Step 5: Calculate Euclidean distance

## Calculate Euclidean distance from ideal best value and ideal worst value

 $((0.1107 - 0.0886)^2 + (0.0754 - 0.1508)^2 + (0.1071 - 0.1429)^2 + (0.1494 - 0.1494)^2)^{0.5} = 0.0863$ 

Attribute Or Criteria	Price or Cost	Storage Space	Camera	Looks	$S_i^+$	$S_i^-$
Mobile 1	0.1107	0.0754	0.1071	0.1494	0.0863	0.0990
Mobile 2	0.0886	0.0754	0.0714	0.0896	0.1198	0.0534
Mobile 3	0.1328	0.1508	0.1429	0.1195	0.0534	0.1198
Mobile 4	0.1218	0.1508	0.0714	0.1195	0.0842	0.0968
Mobile 5	0.0996	0.0754	0.1429	0.0598	0.1176	0.0788
$V_j^+$	0.0886	0.1508	0.1429	0.1494		
$V_j^-$	0.1328	0.0754	0.0714	0.0598		

$$S_{i}^{+} = \left[\sum_{j=1}^{m} (V_{ij} - V_{j}^{+})^{2}\right]^{0.5} S_{i}^{-} = \left[\sum_{j=1}^{m} (V_{ij} - V_{j}^{-})^{2}\right]^{0.5}$$

## Step 6: Calculate Performance Score

#### **Calculate Performance Score**

	TOPSIS performance score				
Attribute Or Criteria	$S_i^+$	$S_i^-$	$S_i^+ + S_i^-$	$P_i$	
Mobile 1	0.0863	0.0990	0.1853	0.534269	
Mobile 2	0.1198	0.0534	0.1732	0.308314	
Mobile 3	0.0534	0.1198	0.1732	0.691686	
Mobile 4	0.0842	0.0968	0.181	0.534807	
Mobile 5	0.1176	0.0788	0.1964	0.401222	

$$P_i = \frac{S_i^-}{S_i^+ + S_i^-}$$

### Step 7: TOPSIS Score and Rank

#### **Final Result**

Attribute Or Criteria	$P_{i}$	Rank
Mobile 1	0.534269	3
Mobile 2	0.308314	5
Mobile 3	0.691686	1
Mobile 4	0.534807	2
Mobile 5	0.401222	4

### Assignment

#### **Given Input Data**

Impacts: Corr(+) Rseq (+) RMSE (-) Accuracy (+)

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#### Find the TOPSIS score and model rank for:

- 1. Weights (1, 1, 1, 1)
- 2. Weights (1, 1, 2, 1)
- 3. Weights (1, 1, 0.5, 1)
- 4. Weights (2, 2, 1, 1)
- 5. Weights (2, 2, 0.5, 1)

## Project Work 1

- 1. Learn the mathematics for TOPSIS from given below link.
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRBdrCB1K4k
- 2. Implement the technique in python and develop a cmd line solution (i.e. run through cmd line), <u>handle all the exceptions like file format, number of parameters</u>, etc:
  - Usages: python topsis.py <InputDataFile> <Weights>
  - <Impacts> <ResultFileName>
  - Example: python topsis.py myData.csv "1,2,1,1" "+,+,-+" result.csv
- 3. Develop a python package.
- 4. Test and validate it on different datasets
- 5. Upload the package on pypi.org

## **Thanks**

Learning by Doing

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