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摘要

品質機能展開是新產品設計規劃的一項重要工具。新產品設計開發團隊可以藉此清楚地知道顧客的期望與需求，並且有系統的評估所提供的產品或服務是否符合顧客的需求。評估顧客需求的重要性評分是 QFD 展開的重要程序。最近的研究指出，在 QFD 的應用上，解讀顧客需求的議題仍然有待改善。此外，在現行 QFD 的研究中，有關各項需求之間相互影響的議題，幾乎僅聚焦在設計需求的分析上，忽略了各項顧客需求之間經常具有相關性，特別是新產品的各項顧客需求經常被視為都具有高度的重要性。本研究利用模糊理論提出一個結合顧客、競爭與價值等三項觀點的評估模式以獲得客戶需求的重要性評比，同時，考慮顧客需求的交互影響及設計需求的交互影響，以獲得 QFD 關係矩陣。依據上述的結果將可獲得 QFD 各項設計需求的重要性評比。最後，以案例說明所提出之方法較傳統的 QFD 建構模式可獲的較佳的客戶滿意度。

關鍵字：品質機能展開、新產品設計規劃、顧客需求、模糊理論

Abstract

Quality function deployment (QFD) is an important tool in processing new product design planning in order to maximum customer satisfaction. The team members of QFD have to recognize the customers' need and expectation clearly with QFD and evaluate systematically the product or service planning whether conform to customers' requirements. Evaluating the important score of each customer requirement is a leading procedure to QFD activity. The recent research argued that one of the major difficulties to QFD is interpreting the customers' voice. Furthermore, in terms of the interactive influence of customer requirements issues were almost ignored in the existing studies on which only discussed the influence for design requirements in the relevant QFD researches. However, in early stage of new product development, the interactive influence of each customer requirement is prevailed practically due to each customer requirement is beheld very important entry. Unlike existing research, this study considers three different perspectives, the customer, competition, and value perspectives, to evaluate the importance scores of CRs. To cope with the vague and uncertain nature of the new product planning stage, fuzzy approaches are adopted using the modified fuzzy Delphi method, entropy and value analysis methods. In addition, different to prior studies, this paper not only considers the relationships among DRs but takes the relationships among CRs into account to determine the normalized relationship between CRs and DRs, and also proposes a modified normalized relationship between CRs and DRs to overcome the weakness of the existing models. Based on an illustrative example, the proposed methods indicate that the total degree of customer satisfaction achieved is greater than with the previous methods.

Keywords: quality function deployment (QFD), new product design planning, customer requirements, fuzzy set theory

前言

品質機能展開是一個重要的新產品設計與開發工具。新產品開發團隊可以藉此清楚地知道顧客的期望與需求，並且有系統的評估所提供的產品或服務是否符合顧客的需求 [1]。根據過去的研究發現，QFD 應用於新產品設計規劃，能有效的將顧客需求轉換成產品設計開發過程的決策參考資訊，以有效的縮短產品開發時間，降低設計變更的次數，快速回應顧客的需求，有助於提高顧客滿意度 [1-4]。Carnevalli and Miguel [3] 指出有關解讀顧客需求的研究，過去所採用的研究方法，大部分都採用 Kano 模式、模糊邏輯(fuzzy logic)、腦力激盪法(brainstorming)與因果關係圖(cause and effect diagrams)等工具或方法來處理解讀顧客需求的問題。但是，有關顧客需求的解讀議題仍有待改善。此外，從過去的文獻中很少發現考慮顧客需求相互影響的相關研究。有關各項需求之間的相互影響之議題的研究，幾乎僅聚焦在設計需求的分析上。因此，本研究提出一個考慮顧客需求相互影響的 QFD 建構模式，以改善解讀顧客需求的問題。當顧客需求可以被清楚的解讀，對於決定設計需求、顧客需求與設計需求的相關性的強度及相關資源的分析將更貼近顧客的期望，對於提升整體顧客滿意度將有較佳的成效。在新產品設計規劃階段，很多的產品開發資訊都處在不確定的情況下，甚至顧客本身對於產品的需求也無法確切的掌握。模糊理論由於具有解決不確定性問題的特質，且被廣泛的應用在 QFD 的問題上[5-8]，本研究採用模糊理論來改善並克服客戶需求資訊於新產品設計規劃階段不確定的問題。

研究目的

QFD 的優點就是藉由收集顧客的需求進而發展出滿足顧客需求的設計需求項目，藉由決定顧客需求與設計需求之間的關係強度，獲得各項設計需求的重要性評比。雖然設計需求的重要性評比對於產品規劃的結果是否符合顧客的期望，扮演相當重要的角色，但是，有關解讀顧客需求的議題仍然有待改善。本研究利用 QFD 做為新產品設計規劃的工具，考慮顧客、競爭、與價值等不同的觀點評估客戶需求的重要性，同時進一步考慮各項顧客需求交互影響因素，利用模糊理論的相關方法，以獲得 QFD 關係矩陣。利用上述的結果將可獲得設計需求的重要性評比，由設計需求的重要性平將可以釐清各項顧客需求之目標設定，有助於決策者決定滿足客戶需求的設計規劃，以有效的縮短產品開發時間，並提高顧客滿意度。

文獻探討

品質機能展開相關之研究報告非常豐富，且廣泛的分佈在各種不同地領域。有關顧客需求權重方面相關的研究，Kano 概念模式搭配顧客的問卷調查，常應用於決定顧客需求[1, 5, 9, 10]。Kasak [11] 和 Chen and Ko [6]將顧客與潛在顧客視為專家，利用模糊德菲法(fuzzy Delphi method)，藉由收集不同顧客的意見來決定顧客需求的重要性權重。模糊德菲法的應用，視客戶與潛在客戶為專家，較適合企業對企業之間的商務模式。層級分析法 (analytic hierarchy process, AHP) 與網路分析程序 (analytic network process, ANP)也常被應用於決定顧客需求的重要性評分 [12-16]。考量新產品設計規劃階段，顧客需求的知識仍屬於內隱知識 (tacit knowledge) 的狀態，AHP 視各項顧客需求為相互獨立，忽略了各項顧客需求之間存在交互影響的可能性，也是 AHP 方法在應用上的限制。ANP 雖然考慮了各項顧客需求交互作用的影響，但是對於不同顧客在相同顧客需求的差異性，卻無法有效的處理。Myint [17] 提出以利用類神經網路 (artificial neural networks, ANNs) 的技術決定顧客需求的權重。在新產品設計規劃的初期，類神經網路系統恐怕不易獲得適當的學習資料。另外，類神經網路系統黑箱(black box)處理的方式，對於 QFD 關係矩陣與相關矩陣的等中介資料的運用，恐較無法得知其影響性。Silva *et al.* [18] 利用價值分析 (value analysis, VA) 的技術

與概念發展每項顧客需求對產品機能 (function) 的需求與成本評價，最後經由價值評價決定顧客需求的重要性評比。然而結合 QFD 顧客需求與 VA 的具體量化模式仍未見提出，恐怕還是受到主觀決策的限制。

在產品開發初期，各項產品需求都被視為具有高度的重要性，Chan and Wu [19] 認為從顧客端很困難取得各項顧客需求相互影響。然而，忽略各項顧客需求之間的交互影響潛藏著誤解顧客聲音的風險，可能導致後續決定 QFD 的設計需求與關係矩陣無法滿足顧客對產品開發的期望。ANP 是最常用來處理顧客需求具相互影響的方法[14-16]，顧客需求之間的相關性在 ANP 的運算上只被視為是超級矩陣的一項準則元素，對於瞭解顧客需求與設計需求的實際相關強度，恐怕無法提供有用的參考資料，這意味著，解讀顧客需求的議題仍有待克服。

研究方法

新產品設計規劃的活動中，本研究發展出一套考慮顧客需求交互影響之品質機能展開的建構模式。首先，本研究考慮三種評估觀點，分別是顧客、競爭與價值進行顧客需求重要性評估的評估。

1. 顧客觀點

本研究考慮現有顧客與潛在顧客對各項客戶需求的重要性進行評估，利用修改後之模糊德菲法[20]結合 Bojadziev. and Bojadziev's [21]一致性條件，以獲得各項顧客需求的重要性評比。其步驟如下：

步驟一：請現有顧客與潛在顧客針對各項 CR 進行評比，其表示式如下

$$\tilde{k}_{i,e} = \left[(k_{i,e})^{L*}, (k_{i,e})^{M*}, (k_{i,e})^{U*} \right], e = 1, 2, \dots, E; i = 1, 2, \dots, I, \quad (1)$$

在 (1) 式中，e 代表評估者，“L*”，“M*”，“U*”代表評估結果 $\tilde{k}_{i,e}$ 最低、最有可能與最高的水平。

步驟二：計算各項評估的平均值，同時考量不同評估者的重要性權重 v_e 。

$$\tilde{k}_i = \left[(\bar{k}_i)^{L*}, (\bar{k}_i)^{M*}, (\bar{k}_i)^{U*} \right] = \left[\frac{\sum_{e=1}^E v_e (k_{i,e})^{L*}}{\sum_{e=1}^E v_e}, \frac{\sum_{e=1}^E v_e (k_{i,e})^{M*}}{\sum_{e=1}^E v_e}, \frac{\sum_{e=1}^E v_e (k_{i,e})^{U*}}{\sum_{e=1}^E v_e} \right] \quad (2)$$

將 \tilde{k}_i 的結果寄給每位評估者，並進行第二輪的評估。

步驟三：依據 \tilde{k}_i ，每位評估者提供修正後的評估

$$\tilde{k}'_{i,e} = \left[(k'_{i,e})^{L*}, (k'_{i,e})^{M*}, (k'_{i,e})^{U*} \right], e = 1, 2, \dots, E; i = 1, 2, \dots, I. \quad (3)$$

利用 (2) 計算第二輪的評估結果的平均值，再利用 (4) 式判斷第一輪的與第二輪評估結果的一致性。

$$d(\tilde{k}_i, \tilde{k}'_i) = 0.5 \left\{ \max \left[\left| (\bar{k}_i)^{L*} - (\bar{k}'_i)^{L*} \right|, \left| (\bar{k}_i)^{U*} - (\bar{k}'_i)^{U*} \right| \right] + \left| (\bar{k}_i)^{M*} - (\bar{k}'_i)^{M*} \right| \right\} \quad (4)$$

步驟二與步驟三需持續進行，直到 $d \leq 0.2$ 。

步驟四：如果已達 $d \leq 0.2$ ，回到步驟一。

最後，可以獲得 $\tilde{k}'_i = \left[(k'_i)^{L*}, (k'_i)^{M*}, (k'_i)^{U*} \right] \in [0, 1]$ 之各項 CR 的重要性評比。

2. 競爭觀點

在企業對企業的商業模式下，競爭觀點利用資訊熵 (entropy) [22] 的方法決定各項 CR 的賣點。考慮每家公司有不同的客戶與競爭對手，針對各項 CR 之滿意績效，請顧客 t 評估其供應商 ψ ， $\psi = 1, \dots, \Psi$ ， $i = 1, \dots, I$ 的成績，假設其結果如(5) 所示。接著考慮顧客 t 與供應

商 ψ 的關係水準 $V_{\psi,t}$ ，利用(6)以獲得各項CR之滿意績效結果。

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{y}_{11,t} & \cdots & \tilde{y}_{1I,t} \\ \vdots & \tilde{y}_{\psi i,t} & \vdots \\ \tilde{y}_{\psi 1,t} & \cdots & \tilde{y}_{\psi I,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (y_{11}^{L*}, y_{11}^{M*}, y_{11}^{U*})_t & \cdots & (y_{1I}^{L*}, y_{1I}^{M*}, y_{1I}^{U*})_t \\ \vdots & (y_{\psi i}^{L*}, y_{\psi i}^{M*}, y_{\psi i}^{U*})_t & \vdots \\ (y_{\psi 1}^{L*}, y_{\psi 1}^{M*}, y_{\psi 1}^{U*})_t & \cdots & (y_{\psi I}^{L*}, y_{\psi I}^{M*}, y_{\psi I}^{U*})_t \end{bmatrix}, \quad (5)$$

其中

$$(y_{\psi i}^{L*}, y_{\psi i}^{M*}, y_{\psi i}^{U*}) = \left(\frac{\sum_{t=1}^T V_{\psi,t} \cdot (y_{\psi i}^{L*})_t}{\sum_t V_{\psi,t}}, \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T V_{\psi,t} \cdot (y_{\psi i}^{M*})_t}{\sum_t V_{\psi,t}}, \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T V_{\psi,t} \cdot (y_{\psi i}^{U*})_t}{\sum_t V_{\psi,t}} \right) \quad (6)$$

依據(5)，(6)的結果，利用資訊熵[22]的概念轉換各項CR之滿意績效為賣點。

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{SP}_i &= [SP_i^{L*}, SP_i^{M*}, SP_i^{U*}] \\ &= \left[\sum_{\psi=1}^{\Psi} y_{\psi i}^{L*} \cdot \log\left(\frac{1}{y_{\psi i}^{U*}}\right), \sum_{\psi=1}^{\Psi} y_{\psi i}^{M*} \cdot \log\left(\frac{1}{y_{\psi i}^{M*}}\right), \sum_{\psi=1}^{\Psi} y_{\psi i}^{U*} \cdot \log\left(\frac{1}{y_{\psi i}^{L*}}\right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

3. 價值觀點

在新產品設計規劃階段，各項顧客需求之機能價值 $\tilde{w}_{i,e}$ 與成本 C_i^* 的評估存在模糊不確定性，本研究利用模糊德菲法進行 $\tilde{w}_{i,e}$ 與 C_i^* 的評估。各項顧客需求之價值目標可表示為：

$$\tilde{V}_i = (V_i^{L*}, V_i^{M*}, V_i^{U*}) = \left[\frac{(\bar{w}_i')^{L*}}{(C_i^*)^{U*}}, \frac{(\bar{w}_i')^{M*}}{(C_i^*)^{M*}}, \frac{(\bar{w}_i')^{U*}}{(C_i^*)^{L*}} \right] \quad i=1, \dots, I. \quad (8)$$

\tilde{V}_i 越大表示第 i 項顧客需求的價值目標越高，反之則越低。

本研究擬採用模糊運算的方法，整合上述規劃矩陣中各種觀點的評估結果以獲得各項顧客需求的重要性評比。

$$\tilde{K}_i = \tilde{k}'_i \otimes \widetilde{SP}_i \otimes \tilde{V}_i \quad i=1, \dots, I. \quad (9)$$

為了簡化QFD設計需求重要性的運算模式，(9)之結果可以利用(10)予以解模糊。

$$K'_i = \frac{\sum_i \alpha_i \cdot (K_i)_{\alpha_i}}{\sum_i \alpha_i}, \quad i=1, \dots, I. \quad (10)$$

其中， α 代表不同信賴水準， $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ 。

其次，本研究提出一個考慮顧客需求交互影響之QFD關係矩陣。首先，在Chen and Weng [23]的模式中

$$(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U}, \quad (11a)$$

$$(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^L}. \quad (11b)$$

如果 $\sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U = 0$ 或 $\sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^L = 0$ 則 $(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = 1$ 或 $(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = 1$ 。很明顯是不合理的正規化運算結果。本研究提出以下模式修正此問題點並將顧客需求交互影響也納

入關係矩陣，其運算模式如(11a)、(11b)、(12a)與(12b)所示。

$$(*R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U}, \text{ and} \\ R_{ij}^L, \text{ if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U = 0 \end{cases} \quad (12a)$$

$$(*R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^L}. \\ R_{ij}^U, \text{ if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^L = 0 \end{cases} \quad (12b)$$

$$(R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U}, \text{ and} \\ (*R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L, \text{ if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U = 0 \end{cases} \quad (13a)$$

$$(R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L}. \\ (*R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U, \text{ if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (*R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L = 0 \end{cases} \quad (13b)$$

利用(8)與(12)之結果，即可決定各項 DR 之重要性評比。

$$(\tilde{W}_j)_{\alpha} = \left[(W_j)_{\alpha}^L, (W_j)_{\alpha}^U \right] = \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i \cdot (R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i \cdot (R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i} \right]. \quad (14)$$

在顧客觀點與價值觀點分別評估各項 CR 之重要性水平與價值。

結果與討論

本研究利用一個 T²BGA 半導體封裝的案例驗證所提出之方法的實用性。首先，由 QFD 團隊進行顧客需求的搜集，假設 CR 包括“產品輪廓”(CR₁)，“散熱績效”(CR₂)，“電性績效”(CR₃)，“可靠度”(CR₄)，and “共平面性”(CR₅)。利用圖二之各種語意量辭作為各類評估的參考依據，分別針對顧客、競爭與價值等三個觀點進行 CRs 之重要性、賣點與價值的評估。依據(1)-(8)的方法分別獲得表一到表六的結果。其中，表一與表二，分別表示利用模糊德菲法所獲得之第一輪與第二輪 CRs 之重要水平評估結果。並且在第二輪的評估結果獲得滿足

(4)之收斂條件。表三與表四分別代表 CRs 之績效滿意度評估結果與轉換後的賣點。表五與表六分別表示利用模糊德菲法所獲得之第一輪與第二輪 CRs 之價值評估結果。同樣的，在第二輪的評估結果獲得滿足(4)之收斂條件。依據上述的評估結果，利用(9)、(10)可以獲得各項 CRs 的重要性評分，經正規化轉換後，其結果分別為[0.043, 0.305, 0.206, 0.377, 0.069]。

其次，QFD 團隊依據 CRs 建立 T²BGA 之 HOQ (如圖三所示)，並利用(12)-(14) 獲得各項 DR 之重要性結果(如表七所示)。為比較本研究所提出之以三種不同觀點評估顧客需求較傳統單一觀點更深化了解顧客的聲音，本利用 Chen and Weng [23]所提出之顧客滿意度模式求解經 HOQ 所獲致顧客滿意度結果(如圖四所示)。

由圖四的結果顯示，本研究所提出以三種不同觀點評估顧客需求之方法，可獲得較佳的顧客滿意度。

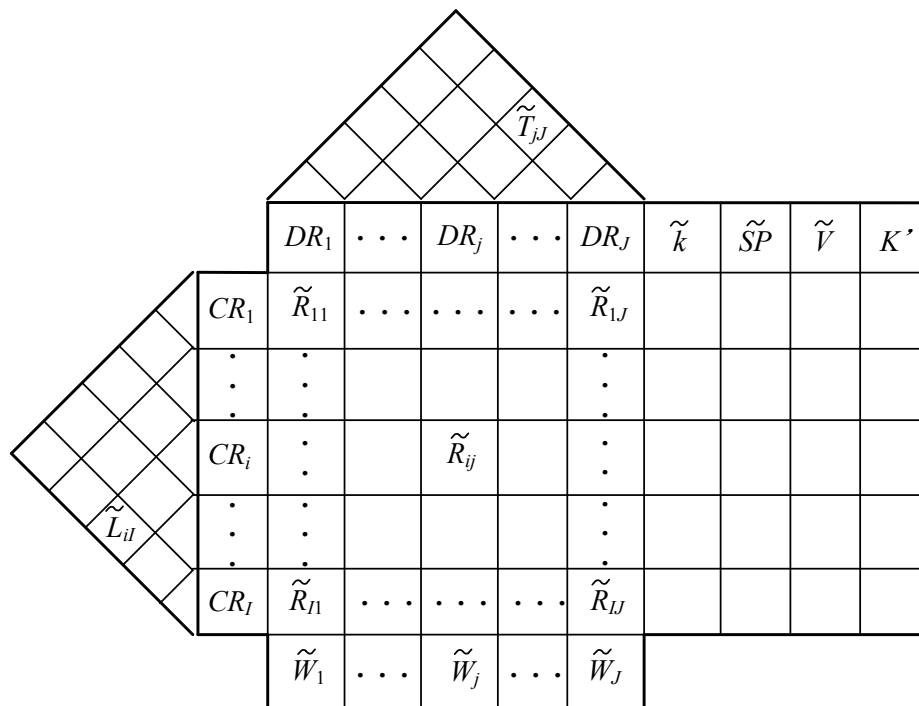
結論

品質機能展開是新產品設計規劃的一項重要工具。本研究利用模糊理論提出一個結合顧客、競爭與價值等三項觀點的評估模式以獲得 QFD 客戶需求的重要性評比，以提升對顧客需求的了解，同時，考慮顧客需求的交互影響及設計需求的交互影響，及提出改善現行研究有關 QFD 關係矩陣不合理出之解決方法。依據上述的結果獲得 QFD 各項設計需求的重要性評比。由一個半導體封裝的實例驗證所提出之方法較傳統的 QFD 建構模式可獲的較佳的客戶滿意度。

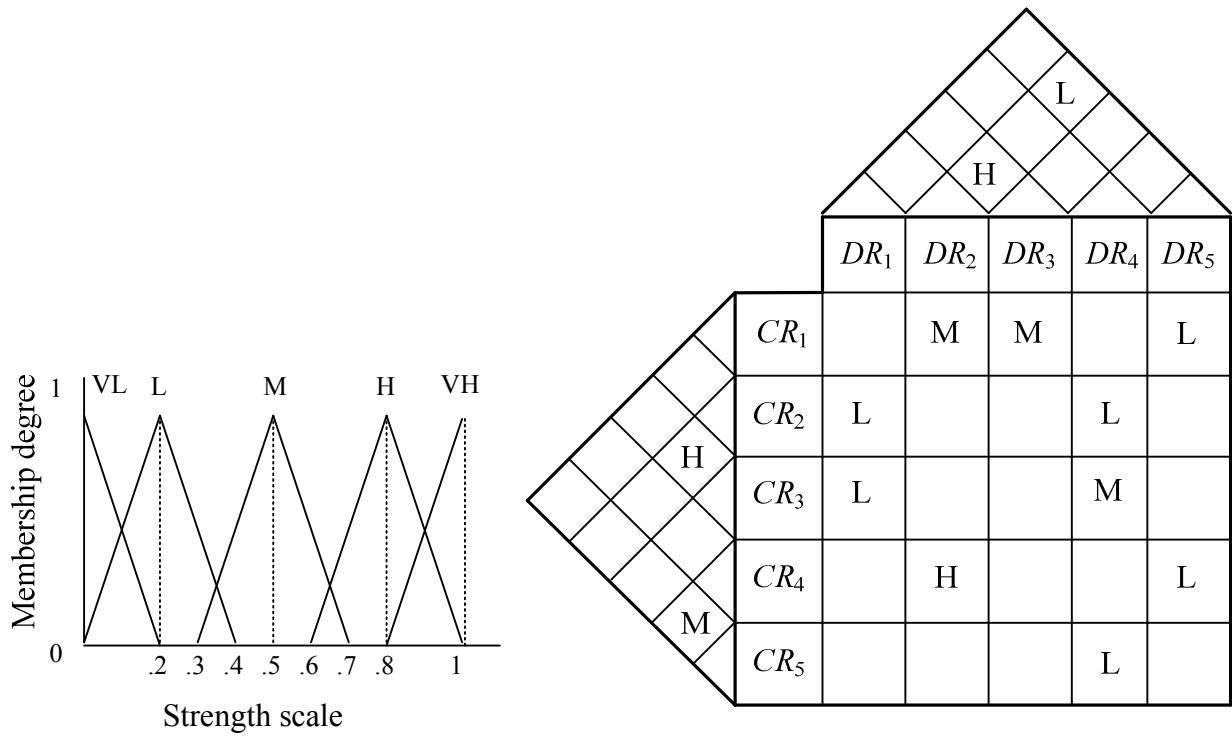
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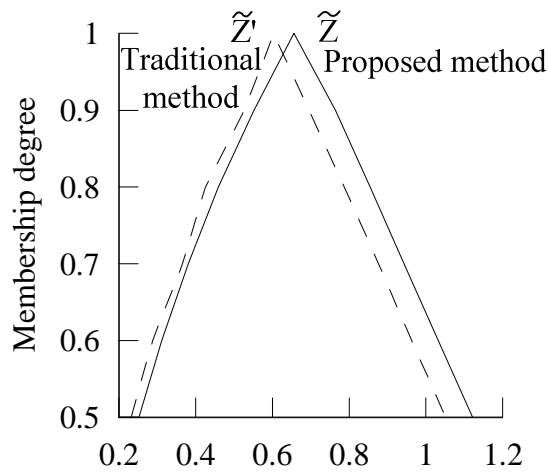


圖一：品質屋架構圖



圖二: 各種語意量辭之歸屬函數

圖三: T²BGA 之品質屋



圖四: 不同研究方法之客戶滿意度之歸屬函數

表一: 第一輪 CRs 之重要水平評估結果

Customer	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅
Cust ₁	L	M	L	H	VL
Cust ₂	L	M	VL	H	L
Cust ₃	VL	H	M	M	L
Cust ₄	M	L	L	H	M
Cust ₅	L	L	L	VH	VL
Cust ₆	L	M	H	M	VL
Cust ₇	M	M	L	L	VL
Cust ₈	VL	M	VL	M	L

表二： 第二輪 CRs 之重要水平評估結果

Customer	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅
Cust ₁	L	M	L	H	L
Cust ₂	L	M	L	H	L
Cust ₃	L	M	M	M	L
Cust ₄	L	L	L	H	L
Cust ₅	L	M	L	VH	L
Cust ₆	L	M	M	H	VL
Cust ₇	M	M	L	M	VL
Cust ₈	L	M	L	H	L

表三: CRs 績效滿意度評估結果

Customer1						
supplier	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight
comp ₁	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.5
comp ₂	VH	M	M	H	H	1.2
comp ₃	VH	M	M	H	H	1
Customer2						
supplier	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight
comp ₁	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.5
comp ₂	VH	M	M	M	H	1.5
comp ₃	H	M	M	M	M	1
Customer3						
supplier	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight
comp ₁	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.2
comp ₂	VH	M	M	M	VH	1
comp ₃	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.8
Customer4						
supplier	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight
comp ₁	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.5
comp ₂	VH	M	M	H	VH	1
comp ₃	VH	M	M	H	H	1

表四: CRs 之賣點評估結果

supplier	SP_1^{L*}	SP_1^{M*}	SP_1^{U*}	SP_2^{L*}	SP_2^{M*}	SP_2^{U*}	SP_3^{L*}	SP_3^{M*}	SP_3^{U*}	SP_4^{L*}	SP_4^{M*}	SP_4^{U*}	SP_5^{L*}	SP_5^{M*}	SP_5^{U*}
comp ₁	0	0	0.097	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.029	0.151	0.418	0	0.078	0.222	0	0	0.097
comp ₂	0	0	0.097	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.022	0.124	0.318	0	0.047	0.164
comp ₃	0	0.018	0.120	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.010	0.098	0.258	0.011	0.073	0.204

表五： 第一輪 CRs 之價值評估結果

Customer	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅
Cust ₁	M	H	VH	H	H
Cust ₂	M	VH	H	H	M
Cust ₃	H	H	H	M	H
Cust ₄	M	H	H	H	M
Cust ₅	H	H	VH	M	M
Cust ₆	M	H	H	M	M
Cust ₇	M	H	H	H	H
Cust ₈	M	VH	VH	M	H

表六： 第二輪 CRs 之價值評估結果

Customer	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅
Cust ₁	M	H	VH	H	M
Cust ₂	M	VH	H	M	M
Cust ₃	M	VH	VH	M	H
Cust ₄	M	H	VH	H	M
Cust ₅	H	VH	VH	M	M
Cust ₆	H	H	H	M	H
Cust ₇	M	H	H	M	H
Cust ₈	M	VH	VH	H	M

表七 \tilde{W}_j 在不同 α 水平的下限與上限值

α	W_1^L	W_1^U	W_2^L	W_2^U	W_3^L	W_3^U	W_4^L	W_4^U	W_5^L	W_5^U
1	0.257	0.257	0.170	0.170	0.018	0.018	0.229	0.229	0.184	0.184
0.8	0.200	0.313	0.143	0.198	0.016	0.021	0.189	0.273	0.130	0.241
0.6	0.145	0.368	0.120	0.228	0.013	0.023	0.150	0.318	0.084	0.298
0.4	0.093	0.420	0.099	0.257	0.011	0.026	0.115	0.364	0.047	0.348
0.2	0.044	0.468	0.081	0.285	0.009	0.029	0.084	0.411	0.020	0.389
0	0	0.511	0.066	0.311	0.008	0.032	0.055	0.459	0	0.420

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4. 本次研討會有以下幾個 session: 人力資源與知識管理，品質與績效管理，創新管理、資通訊應用、價值基礎與當代管理、知識管理與組織、投資與財務管理、程序管理與最佳化、策略管理、決策支援管理系統、文化與協同管理。

二、與會心得

本次活動由泰國 Kasetsart University 管理學院與工程學院合辦，透過跨院係的合作，希望由來自全球各地的學者以全球的觀點共同討論技術、創新與工業管理的相關議題，並在企業管理、經濟、工程、心理學、資訊等領域分享及溝通研究的成果與發現。這次活動的主題由於橫跨多個領域，在大會議題主軸上，發表的內容十分多元，令人較印象深刻的是創新管理與綠能領域的結合，對於個人未來的研究方向亦多有啟發。

第一次參加海外的國際研討會，與國內舉辦的國際研討會最大的差異是可以體會當地文

化、開闊國際視野與當地主辦學校的研究者接觸並分享經驗與研究心得。接觸了一些來自歐洲包括芬蘭、波蘭、印度與斯洛伐尼亞的學者，他們的口音，很難聽懂，但是可以充分感受到這些學者樂意分享研究成果的熱情與對研究成果的自信。相較於國內學者的沉穩內斂是相當不同的風範。在本次活動與主辦學校 Kasetsart University 管理系主任 Kiriya Kulchanarat 有所交談與認識，並因此認識 Journal of Information Privacy and Security 主編 Professor Chuleeporn Changchit 與 Industrial Management & Data Systems information 主編 Professor Binshan Lin。

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A FUZZY QUALITY FUNCTION DEPLOYMENT CONSTRUCTING MODEL FOR PRODUCT PLANNING

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ABSTRACT

Quality function deployment (QFD) is an important and useful tool in processing new product design planning in order to maximum customer satisfaction. Product planning is the first deploying process in QFD activities for a new product development (NPD). Recognizing and ranking the importance levels of customer requirements (CRs) are vital issues due to the explicit and implicit voices of the customer leading the determinations of design requirements (DRs) and the relationship between CRs and DRs in the QFD activities for product planning. Unlike the existing researches, this study considers three different perspectives, including customer perspective, competition perspective and value perspective, to evaluate the importance levels of CRs. To cope with the vague and uncertainty nature in product planning stage, fuzzy approaches are adopted in the proposed methods which including the modified fuzzy Delphi, entropy and value analysis methods with the concept of α -cut. Besides, dissimilar to prior studies which ignored the interactive influences between CRs themselves, this paper not only consider the relationship between DRs themselves but also take the relationship between CRs themselves into account to determine the relationship between CRs and DRs. From an illustrative example, the proposed methods indicate that the total degree of customer satisfaction achieved is greater than the previous methods.

Keywords: quality function deployment (QFD), fuzzy set theory, product planning, customer requirements

1. INTRODUCTION

Quality function deployment (QFD) is a useful customer-driven tool for new product development (NPD), devoted to translating customer requirements (CRs) into well communication to leading better efficiency in the downstream processes of NPD for maximizing customer satisfaction [5, 6]. A general QFD process consists of four phases which is start with CRs to product design requirements (DRs) and then translating DRs into critical part characteristics (PCs) (or sub-system), engineering process parameters (PPs), and establishing production requirements (PRs) in ending process for a NPD. House of quality (HOQ) is consists of relevant information on CRs, DRs, the relationships between CRs themselves, the relationships between DR themselves, and the relationship between CRs and DRs. Based on the relevant outcomes above, the importance ratings of DRs can be determined. Furthermore, QFD team can figure out the fulfillment level to each DR to achieve the maximum customer satisfaction. Chan and Wu [7] and Carnevalli and Miguel [5] argued that interpreting and analyzing the customer voice is one of the major difficulties in



QFD application. This study attempts developing methods to elaborate the understanding of CRs for enhancing customer satisfaction.

To this purpose, this study considers three different perspectives to interpreting and analyzing the CRs including the customer perspective, the competition perspective and the value perspective, respectively, to determine the importance levels of CRs. In the customer perspective, a modified fuzzy Delphi method is proposed to determine the importance level to each CR based on the current and potential customers' response and feedback. In regard to the competition perspective, the relative performance between firm and its competitors are analyzed to determine the sales point of each CR using the concept of information entropy with fuzzy means. As for the value perspective, the worth and the cost of CRs are considered to establish the value level for each CR to reflect firm position. Finally, combining three different perspective considerations above, the importance scores of CRs can be determined.

In general, the relationship degree in HOQ is expressed on a scale or point system such as 1-3-9 or 1-5-9, representing linguistic statements such as “weak”, “moderate”, and “strong”, respectively [15]. But, QFD members usually experienced the predicament to accumulate experiment, information and knowledge about the influence of DRs because the lack of information or language hedge from the CRs during product planning stage [8, 9]. These considerations have led to the application of fuzzy approaches which are essential in addressing the diversity and imprecision issues in determining the relationships in HOQ [8-14, 19]. Dissimilar to existing studies which only focused the interactive influences of the relationship between DRs themselves to determine the relationship between CRs and DRs, this paper not only considers the relationship between DRs themselves but also take the relationship between CRs themselves into account to determine the relationship between CRs and DRs to obtain a more adequate and realistic relationship levels between CRs and DRs.

Based on the outcomes of importance levels of CRs and relationship levels between CRs and DRs, the fulfillment level of the each DR to maximize customer satisfaction can be achieved. In the following section, the CRs analyzing approaches with three different perspectives are introduced to determine the importance score of each CR. In Section 3, a fuzzy HOQ construction model is developed to determine the performance levels of DRs that will be produced maximum customer satisfaction. An example of a semiconductor packing case is given to demonstrate the proposed approaches in Section 4. Finally, the concluding remarks are summarized in Section 5.

2. THE CUSTOMER REQUIREMENTS ANALYZING APPROACHES

As mentioned previous, the determination of importance score of each CR is an important issue for enhancing customer satisfaction. In the existing literature, Kano's model [18] is considered to classify customer demand attributes due to some customer requirements more important to the customer than others [25, 29, 30]. Karsak [19] and Chen and Ko [10, 11] applied the fuzzy Delphi method to determine the fuzzy importance scores of CRs. Büyüközkan and Feyzioğlu [3] and Büyüközkan et al. [4] considered multiple preference ways and fused different expressions into a uniform group decision approach to reflect CRs assessment with fuzzy set theory in the collaborative circumstance. In addition, the importance ranking of CRs is argued as multi-criteria decision making issue, some

researchers applied analytic hierarchy process (AHP), or fuzzy AHP to determine the importance ranking of CRs in QFD application [1, 22, 23]. However, the existing literature above only focuses on unique perspective, i.e., importance to customer to determine the importance scores of CRs. Lai et al. [24] emphasized the competition perspective besides the importance to customer perspective to ranking CRs importance levels.

To elaborate the understanding of CRs for enhancing customer satisfaction, this study considers three different perspectives to determine CRs' importance scores, including the customer perspective, the competition perspective and the value perspective, respectively. To cope with the vague nature of customer requirements evaluation processes, fuzzy approaches are used to each evaluation way. The relevant decision-making approaches in the each perspective are discussed as follows.

2.1 Customer perspective

Customer perspective is a common sense for determining the importance levels of CRs. In this point of view, the consideration focused on each CR how important to customer. In this study, the current customers and potential customer are regarded as the experts who assess the importance degree to each CR. To aggregate experts' assessment, the fuzzy Delphi method [20] is applied to determine the importance levels of CRs. In original rule, the assessment from each expert is assigned with the same weight in fuzzy Delphi processes [19]. This study proposes the modified fuzzy Delphi method to deal with the different weighting consideration to determine importance scores of CRs. The relevant steps are described as follows.

Step 1. Each expert provides the assessment of importance scores of CRs. Suppose that a triangular fuzzy number is assigned to the format of assessment as:

$$\tilde{k}_{i,e} = \left[(k_{i,e})^{L*}, (k_{i,e})^{M*}, (k_{i,e})^{H*} \right], e = 1, 2, \dots, E; i = 1, 2, \dots, I, \quad (1)$$

where $\tilde{k}_{i,e}$ is described by linguistic terms and defined as the fuzzy subsets of [0, 1] and denoted the importance score of CR_{*i*} by the expert *e*; the indexes “L*”, “M*”, “H*” represent the lowest, the most likely and the highest level of $\tilde{k}_{i,e}$.

Step 2. Computing the weighted-average of all $\tilde{k}_{i,e}$, the formulation is expressed as

$$\tilde{k}_i = \left[(\bar{k}_i)^{L*}, (\bar{k}_i)^{M*}, (\bar{k}_i)^{H*} \right] = \left[\frac{\sum_{e=1}^E w_e (k_{i,e})^{L*}}{\sum_{e=1}^E w_e}, \frac{\sum_{e=1}^E w_e (k_{i,e})^{M*}}{\sum_{e=1}^E w_e}, \frac{\sum_{e=1}^E w_e (k_{i,e})^{H*}}{\sum_{e=1}^E w_e} \right], \quad (2)$$

where $i = 1, 2, \dots, I$; w_e represents the importance weight of current or potential customer *e*. Calculating the differences between $\tilde{k}_{i,e}$ and \tilde{k}_i , and then, return to each expert for the next re-evaluation run.

Step 3. Taking the differences in the prior step as a reference base, each expert provides a

revised linguistic variable (if necessary) of the importance scores as

$$\tilde{k}'_{i,e} = \left[(k'_{i,e})^{L*}, (k'_{i,e})^{M*}, (k'_{i,e})^{H*} \right], e = 1, 2, \dots, E; i = 1, 2, \dots, I. \quad (3)$$

The weighted-average \tilde{k}'_i can also be determined using (2). The difference between \tilde{k}'_i and \tilde{k}_i can be calculated using a distance measure as below [2]:

$$d(\tilde{k}_i, \tilde{k}'_i) = 0.5 \left\{ \max \left[\left| (\bar{k}_i)^{L*} - (\bar{k}'_i)^{L*} \right|, \left| (\bar{k}_i)^{H*} - (\bar{k}'_i)^{H*} \right| \right] + \left| (\bar{k}_i)^{M*} - (\bar{k}'_i)^{M*} \right| \right\} \quad (4)$$

Step 2 and *Step 3* could be repeated until the distance measure becomes reasonably close to meet the consensus criteria. The consensus criteria is assumed to be a small distance, such as $d \leq 0.2$.

Step 4. If there is any change or update information that may lead to start a new evaluation-round process from *Step 1*.

Finally, the assessment consequences of importance degree to CRs can be obtained and expressed as a triangular fuzzy number $\tilde{k}'_i = \left[(k'_i)^{L*}, (k'_i)^{M*}, (k'_i)^{H*} \right]$.

2.2 Competition perspective

Facing the short life-cycles and global dynamic competition environment, taking the competition perspective into account for improving the understanding of CRs is an essential and vital deliberation. Cohen [15] defined a sales point is the ability to sell the product or service, based on how well each customer requirement is satisfied. In traditional practice, the sales point is set as a crisp value such as 1.5, 1.25 and 1 to reflect the strong, moderate and none sales point to competitors. In competition analysis, considering that a company has many customers and competitors in the competition market, the different customer will set various satisfaction weights to different suppliers based on how well the product or service is met its expectation. In this study, a sales point evaluation is based on a performance standpoint of customer satisfaction to each CR. Suppose that $\tilde{Y}_{\psi i,t}$ is a triangular fuzzy number represented the t th customer who evaluates the satisfaction performance of ψ th supplier on i th CR. Therefore, $\tilde{Y}_{\psi i,t}$ can be expressed as

$$\tilde{Y}_{\psi i,t} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{y}_{11,t} & \cdots & \tilde{y}_{I1,t} \\ \vdots & \tilde{y}_{\psi i,t} & \vdots \\ \tilde{y}_{\psi 1,t} & \cdots & \tilde{y}_{\psi I,t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (y_{11}^{L*}, y_{11}^{M*}, y_{11}^{H*})_t & \cdots & (y_{I1}^{L*}, y_{I1}^{M*}, y_{I1}^{H*})_t \\ \vdots & (y_{\psi i}^{L*}, y_{\psi i}^{M*}, y_{\psi i}^{H*})_t & \vdots \\ (y_{\psi 1}^{L*}, y_{\psi 1}^{M*}, y_{\psi 1}^{H*})_t & \cdots & (y_{\psi I}^{L*}, y_{\psi I}^{M*}, y_{\psi I}^{H*})_t \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and} \quad (5)$$

$$\left(y_{\psi i}^{L*}, y_{\psi i}^{M*}, y_{\psi i}^{H*} \right)_t = \left(y_{\psi i}^{L*} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T v_{\psi,t} \cdot (y_{\psi i}^{L*})_t}{\sum_t v_{\psi,t}}, y_{\psi i}^{M*} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T v_{\psi,t} \cdot (y_{\psi i}^{M*})_t}{\sum_t v_{\psi,t}}, y_{\psi i}^{H*} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T v_{\psi,t} \cdot (y_{\psi i}^{H*})_t}{\sum_t v_{\psi,t}} \right) \quad (6)$$

where $\psi = 1, \dots, \Psi$, $t = 1, \dots, T$, and $v_{\psi,t}$ represents the weights of performance satisfaction of t th customer to ψ th supplier; $v_{\psi,t} \in [0,1]$. The assessment of customer satisfaction performance $\tilde{y}_{\psi i,t}$ is described by linguistic terms and defined as the fuzzy subsets of $[0, 1]$ and surveyed from each customer who concerned the product development.

Once the customer satisfaction performance is collected and treated using (5) and (6), the sales point of a firm can be determined by (7).

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{SP}_i &= [SP_i^{L*}, SP_i^{M*}, SP_i^{H*}] \\ &= \left[\sum_{\psi=1}^{\Psi} y_{\psi i}^{L*} \cdot \log \left(\frac{1}{y_{\psi i}^{H*}} \right), \sum_{\psi=1}^{\Psi} y_{\psi i}^{M*} \cdot \log \left(\frac{1}{y_{\psi i}^{M*}} \right), \sum_{\psi=1}^{\Psi} y_{\psi i}^{H*} \cdot \log \left(\frac{1}{y_{\psi i}^{L*}} \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Eq. (7) is considered the concept of entropy in information theory [28].

2.3 Value perspective

Understanding what customer values within CRs is the third perspective for determining the importance score of CRs. DeSarbo et al. [16] noted that performing customer value analysis to articulate the “voice of customer” is applied in more and more firms. This study concerned the economics value which is defined by Elias [17] and expressed as worth w_i divided by cost C_i^* of the each CR.

$$V_i = \frac{w_i}{C_i^*}, \quad i=1, \dots, I. \quad (8)$$

where w_i represents each current and potential customer’s perception on CR_{*i*}; C_i^* is the initial cost evaluated by QFD team to CR_{*i*} for the new product planning. Same as the customer perspective stage, to address the fuzzy nature in worth and initial cost evaluation to each CR, the modified fuzzy Delphi method is employed to determine the worth $\tilde{w}_{i,e}$ of CR_{*i*}. $\tilde{w}_{i,e}$ is described by linguistic terms and defined as the fuzzy subsets of $[0, 1]$ and provided by the expert (customer) e . Assuming the assessments of the worth and the initial cost to CR_{*i*} are $\left[(\bar{w}'_i)^{L*}, (\bar{w}'_i)^{M*}, (\bar{w}'_i)^{H*} \right]$ and $\left[(C_i^*)^{L*}, (C_i^*)^{M*}, (C_i^*)^{H*} \right]$, respectively, then eq.(8) can be modified as

$$\tilde{V} = (V_i^{L*}, V_i^{M*}, V_i^{H*}) = \left[\frac{(\bar{w}_i')^{L*}}{(C_i^*)^{H*}}, \frac{(\bar{w}_i')^{M*}}{(C_i^*)^{M*}}, \frac{(\bar{w}_i')^{H*}}{(C_i^*)^{L*}} \right] \quad i=1, \dots, I. \quad (9)$$

Once the assessments of customer perspective, competition perspective and value perspective are determined, the fuzzy importance score of CR_i can be expressed as

$$\tilde{K}_i = \tilde{k}_i' \otimes \sqrt[3]{SP_i} \otimes \tilde{V}_i \quad i=1, \dots, I. \quad (10)$$

where the symbol \otimes represents the fuzzy multiplication operator. To treat fuzzy multiplication, a fuzzy set can fully and uniquely be represented by its α -cuts [21]. For example, the α -cut of the fuzzy set \tilde{V}_i at the level, $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, can be expressed by its lower and upper bounds as $[(V_i)_\alpha^L, (V_i)_\alpha^U]$, which is defined as:

$$(V_i)_\alpha^L = \inf_{x \in [0, 1]} \{x \mid \mu_{\tilde{V}_i}(x) \geq \alpha\}, \text{ and} \quad (11a)$$

$$(V_i)_\alpha^U = \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} \{x \mid \mu_{\tilde{V}_i}(x) \geq \alpha\} \quad (11b)$$

where $\mu_{\tilde{V}_i}(x)$ is the membership degree of x belonging to \tilde{V}_i ; the indexes “L”, “U” represent the lower and upper bound of \tilde{V}_i at α level, respectively. According to α -cuts and the extension principle in fuzzy set theory [32, 33], the membership function of the fuzzy importance score \tilde{K}_i can be defined by the lower and upper bounds of each α -cut of \tilde{k}_i' , $\sqrt[3]{SP_i}$, and \tilde{V}_i as well as formulated as:

$$(K_i)_\alpha^L = (k_i')_\alpha^L \cdot (SP_i)_\alpha^L \cdot (V_i)_\alpha^L \text{ and} \quad (12a)$$

$$(K_i)_\alpha^U = (k_i')_\alpha^U \cdot (SP_i)_\alpha^U \cdot (V_i)_\alpha^U \quad (12b)$$

For simplification of QFD application, the fuzzy importance score can be defuzzified so as to combine with the modified fuzzy normalized relationship in determining the fuzzy technical importance ratings. The fuzzy mean (FM) method [26] is employed to carry out the defuzzification of \tilde{K}_i due to consider its simplicity and efficiency. The FM method is expressed as

$$D = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^I \alpha_i x_i}{\sum_{i=1}^I \alpha_i}, \quad (13)$$

where α_i and x_i denote the membership degree and the representative (pre-calculated) numerical value of the i th output, respectively; D is the defuzzification value of interval

values $[x_i^L, x_i^U]$, i.e., the i th α -cut of fuzzy number. Based on Mabuchi's idea [27], the representative value of the i th output is defined as the average of lower and upper bounds of the interval by $x_i = \frac{1}{2}(x_i^L + x_i^U)$. Therefore, the average value of the α -cut of \tilde{K}_i at the α_i level, i.e., $(K_i)_{\alpha_i} = \frac{1}{2}[(K_i)_{\alpha_i}^L + (K_i)_{\alpha_i}^U]$ is used as the representative value in this study. According to the FM method, the \tilde{K}_i can be defuzzified as

$$K'_i = \frac{\sum_i \alpha_i \cdot (K_i)_{\alpha_i}}{\sum_i \alpha_i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, I. \quad (14)$$

3. A FUZZY HOQ CONSTRUCTION MODEL

In product planning, a QFD team collects a set of CRs, assesses and treats their importance scores as described in prior section afterward a number of appropriated DRs that affect the CRs are identified. Based on CRs and DRs, the relevant relationship matrixes will be assessed in HOQ construction. A HOQ is shown in Figure 1. In Figure 1, R_{ij} denotes the relation level in terms of score between the CR_i and DR_j , $L_{i\ell}$ is the correlation score between CR_i and CR_ℓ , $T_{j\ell}$ is the correlation score between DR_j and DR_ℓ , and W_j represents the importance rating of DR_j which is then applied to determine the fulfillment level of the each DR to maximize customer satisfaction.

Considering the imprecise nature of the relationships evaluation, Chen and Weng [8] proposed the fuzzified formulation as (15a) and (15b) based on Wasserman's idea [31] which considered the relationships between the DRs themselves to determine the normalized fuzzy relationship value between CRs and DRs.

$$(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta \phi})_{\alpha}^U}, \quad \text{and} \quad (15a)$$

$$(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta \phi})_{\alpha}^L}, \quad (15b)$$

where $(R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L / (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U$ denoted the lower/upper bound of the fuzzy relationship $\tilde{R}_{i\zeta}$ at α level for CR_i to DR_{ζ} , $(T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L / (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U$ denoted the lower/upper bound of the fuzzy correlation score $\tilde{T}_{\zeta j}$ at α level for DR_{ζ} to DR_j . In (15a) or (15b), if

$\sum_{\phi=1}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U = 0$ or $\sum_{\phi=1}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^L = 0$, then $(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = 1$ or $(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = 1$. Obviously,

the situation above is not reasonable while the original relationship $\tilde{R}'_{ij} = [R_{ij}^L, R_{ij}^U]$ is evaluated with low or moderate linguistic level. The situation of $\sum_{\phi=1}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U = 0$ or

$\sum_{\phi=1}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^L = 0$ will be found while only one DR impact to one CR and no any other

DRs correlated with this DR. To improve this critical issue, (15a)

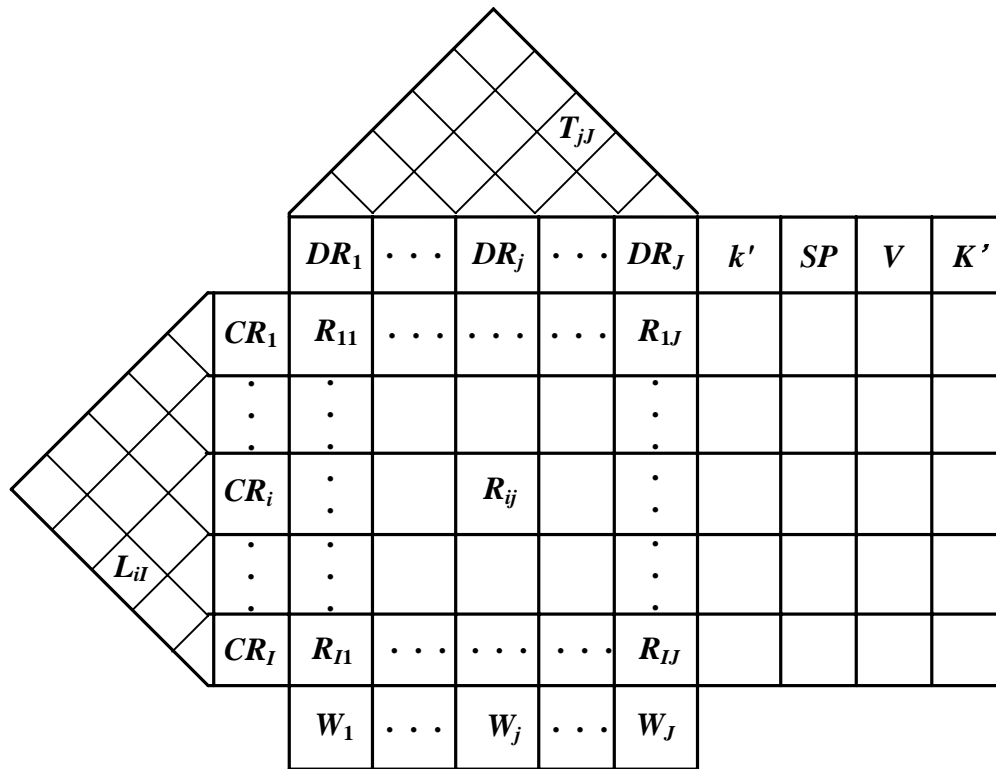


Figure 1. House of Quality

and (15b) should be modified as

$$(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U}, & \text{and} \\ R_{ij}^L, & \text{if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta\phi})_{\alpha}^U = 0 \end{cases} \quad (16a)$$

$$(R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (T_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta \phi})_{\alpha}^L} \\ R_{ij}^U, \text{ if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq j}}^J \sum_{\zeta=1}^J (R_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (T_{\zeta \phi})_{\alpha}^L = 0 \end{cases} \quad (16b)$$

Besides, considering the influence of the relationships between the CRs themselves $\tilde{L}_{i\zeta}$ to (16a) and (16b), the normalized fuzzy relationship value between CRs and DRs can be further upgraded as

$$(R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^L = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U} \\ (R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^L, \text{ if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U = 0, \end{cases} \quad (17a)$$

$$(R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^U = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^U + \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L} \\ (R'_{ij})_{\alpha}^U, \text{ if } \sum_{\substack{\phi=1 \\ \phi \neq i}}^I \sum_{\zeta=1}^I (L_{\phi\zeta})_{\alpha}^L (R'_{\zeta j})_{\alpha}^L = 0 \end{cases} \quad (17b)$$

where $(L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^L / (L_{i\zeta})_{\alpha}^U$ denoted the lower/upper bound of the fuzzy correlation score $\tilde{L}_{i\zeta}$ at α level for CR_{*i*} to CR _{ζ} . Once the lower and upper bounds of α -cuts of the fuzzy normalized relationship are obtained, the fuzzy technical importance ratings \tilde{W}_j can be simplified and expressed as:

$$(\tilde{W}_j)_{\alpha} = \left[(W_j)_{\alpha}^L, (W_j)_{\alpha}^U \right] = \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i \cdot (R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^L}{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i \cdot (R''_{ij})_{\alpha}^U}{\sum_{i=1}^I K'_i} \right]. \quad (18)$$

The results from (18) can be employed to find the fulfillment level of the each DR to maximize the overall customer satisfaction.

4. AN ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE

A semiconductor packing case of the turbo thermal ball grid array (T²-BGA) package is introduced to exemplify the applicability of the proposed methods.

4.1. CRs' importance scores

According to product characteristics and performance specifications of T²-BGA, a QFD team surveyed and collected the opinions of customers during the product planning stage. Suppose that the CRs are determined as “package profile” (CR₁), “thermal performance” (CR₂), “electrical performance” (CR₃), “reliability” (CR₄), and “co-planarity” (CR₅). Considering the above CRs, three different perspectives are applied to determine the importance scores of CRs.

4.1.1. Customer perspective

In customer perspective, the fuzzy Delphi method is applied to determine the importance levels of CRs. Suppose that a QFD team forwards a questionnaire with linguistic evaluation levels, “very low (VL)”, “low (L)”, “medium (M)”, “high (H)” or “very high (VH)”, to eight current and potential customers in order to obtain the importance level of five CRs. The relevant computational procedures are described as follows:

Step 1. The first assessing outcomes are listed in Table 1. The QFD team member has to translate linguistic terms i.e., VL, L, M, H, and VH into the triangular fuzzy numbers as the lowest, the most likely and the highest level set, namely (0, 0, 0.2), (0, 0.2, 0.4), (0.3, 0.5, 0.7), (0.6, 0.8, 1), and (0.8, 1, 1), respectively. For example, in Table 1, the importance levels of the first CR evaluated by the second customer is expressed as $\tilde{k}_{1,2} = (0, .2, .4)$.

Step 2. Computing the weighted-average of all $\tilde{k}_{i,e}$ by (2), assuming the importance weight set to eight current and potential customers is assigned as {1, 0.9, 0.9, 0.5, 0.5, 0.2, 0.2, 0.1} based on their real or potential contribution in business. The producing results of \tilde{k}_i to each CR are (0.049, 0.202, 0.402), (0.293, 0.493, 0.693), (0.091, 0.244, 0.444), (0.512, 0.712, 0.888), and (0.035, 0.147, 0.347), respectively. Then, the differences between $\tilde{k}_{i,e}$ and \tilde{k}_i are calculated and return to each customer for re-evaluation procedure.

Step 3. Same to *Step 1*, each customer provides the revised assessment outcomes which are listed in Table 1. The weighted-average of $\tilde{k}'_{i,e}$ can also be obtained by (2), and then the \tilde{k}'_i of each CR is obtained as (0.014, 0.214, 0.414), (0.265, 0.465, 0.665), (0.091, 0.291, 0.491), (0.547, 0.747, 0.923), and (0, 0.181, 0.381), respectively. The difference between \tilde{k}'_i and \tilde{k}_i is calculated by (4) as 0.023, 0.028, 0.047, 0.035, and 0.035, respectively. The differences between two adjacent averages are all less than to 0.2,

therefore, the consensus condition is achieved.

Step 4. If the consensus condition was not obtained, the re-evaluation process would be performed in the next assessment cycle till the consensus condition is achieved.

Table 1. The first/ second round assessment of importance levels of CRs

Customer	CR₁	CR₂	CR₃	CR₄	CR₅
Cust₁	L/ L	M/ M	L/ L	H/ H	VL/ L
Cust₂	L/ L	M/ M	VL/ L	H/ H	L/ L
Cust₃	VL/ L	H/ M	M/ M	M/ M	L/ L
Cust₄	M/ L	L/ L	L/ L	H/ H	M/ L
Cust₅	L/ L	L/ M	L/ L	VH/ VH	VL/ L
Cust₆	L/ L	M/ M	H/ M	M/ H	VL/ VL
Cust₇	M/ M	M/ M	L/ L	L/ M	VL/ VL
Cust₈	VL/ L	M/ M	VL/ L	M/ H	L/ L

In this case, the fuzzy results \tilde{k}_i' of importance level of CR_{*i*}, *i*=1,...,5, will be used to determine the fuzzy importance scores.

4.1.2. Competition perspective

Suppose that there are three major suppliers and four customers dedicate to T²BGA development in the competition market. In competition analysis, a company (supplier) survey and asks it's four customers to evaluate the performance levels of each CR for T²BGA product planning with linguistic evaluation level set {VL, L, M, H, VH} to three major suppliers. Furthermore, inviting customers to provide the corresponding performance satisfaction weights to different suppliers based on how well the product or service is met its expectation. Assuming the performance satisfaction weights are defined as 1.8, 1.5, 1.2, and 1 in this case. Table 2 is listed the outcomes of performance assessment of CRs from customers for T²BGA product planning. Based on the assessment outcomes in Table 3, the fuzzy sales points of each CR can be determined by (6) and (7) as (0, 0.018, 0.314), (0.087, 0.452, 1.255), (0.087, 0.452, 1.255), (0.031, 0.299, 0.798) and (0.011, 0.120, 0.465). The fuzzy sales point of each supplier is listed in Table 3. In Table 3, the each competitor has the same results of fuzzy sales point at CR₂ and CR₃, that represent there is a good opportunity to be distinguished in the current competition situation by CR₂ and CR₃. Moreover, the third supplier possesses better competition situation at CR₁ and CR₅, while supplier 2 at CR₄ holds the better competition advantage.

4.1.3. Value perspective

To understanding the economic value of CRs, the worth and cost of each CR has to determined. According to the procedures of fuzzy Delphi method, the first round assessment

Table 2. The performance assessing outcomes of CRs

Customer 1							Customer 2					
supplier	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight
comp ₁	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.5	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.5
comp ₂	VH	M	M	H	H	1.2	VH	M	M	M	H	1.5
comp ₃	VH	M	M	H	H	1	H	M	M	M	M	1
Customer 3							Customer 4					
supplier	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅	weight
comp ₁	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.2	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.5
comp ₂	VH	M	M	M	VH	1	VH	M	M	H	VH	1
comp ₃	VH	M	M	H	VH	1.8	VH	M	M	H	H	1

Table 3. The outcomes of sales point

supplier	SP_1^{L*}	SP_1^{M*}	SP_1^{H*}	SP_2^{L*}	SP_2^{M*}	SP_2^{H*}	SP_3^{L*}	SP_3^{M*}	SP_3^{H*}	SP_4^{L*}	SP_4^{M*}	SP_4^{H*}	SP_5^{L*}	SP_5^{M*}	SP_5^{H*}
comp ₁	0.001	0	0.097	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.029	0.151	0.418	0	0.078	0.222	0	0	0.097
comp ₂	0	0	0.097	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.022	0.124	0.318	0	0.047	0.164
comp ₃	0	0.018	0.12	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.029	0.151	0.418	0.01	0.098	0.258	0.011	0.073	0.204
\bar{SP}_i	0	0.018	0.314	0.087	0.452	1.255	0.087	0.452	1.255	0.031	0.299	0.798	0.011	0.12	0.465

outcomes are listed in Table 4. Assuming the worth weight set is same to importance weight set to eight current and potential customers based on their real or potential contribution in business. The weighted-average of all $\tilde{w}_{i,e}$ can be obtained by (2), producing results of \tilde{w}_i to each CR are (0.398, 0.598, 0.798), (0.647, 0.847, 1), (0.647, 0.847, 1), (0.481, 0.681, 0.881), and (0.453, 0.653, 0.853), respectively. The calculation result has to send to each participant for second round evaluation. Following the performing step 3 of fuzzy Delphi method, each customer provides the revised assessment outcomes which are listed in Table 4. And then, the weighted-average results of \tilde{w}'_i to each CR are calculated by (2) as (0.349, 0.549, 0.749), (0.712, 0.912, 1), (0.74, 0.94, 1), (0.412, 0.612, 0.812), and (0.398, 0.598, 0.798). Furthermore, the difference between \tilde{w}'_i and \tilde{w}_i , $i=1,\dots,5$, are calculated by (4) as 0.184, 0.065, 0.033, 0.07, and 0.056, respectively. Obviously, the differences between two adjacent averages are all less than the consensus condition. Consequently, the outcomes of \tilde{w}'_i , $i=1,\dots,5$, are the final worth results of CRs. Assuming the lowest, the most likely and the highest initial fuzzy cost of CR_i , $i=1,\dots,5$, are (0.1, 0.2, 0.3), (0.3, 0.5, 0.7), (0.3, 0.5, 0.7),

Table 4. The first/ second round assessment of the worth of CRs

Customer	CR ₁	CR ₂	CR ₃	CR ₄	CR ₅
Cust ₁	M/ M	H/ H	VH/ VH	H/ H	H/ M
Cust ₂	M/ M	VH/ VH	H/ H	H/ M	M/ M
Cust ₃	H/ M	H/ VH	H/ VH	M/ M	H/ H
Cust ₄	M/ M	H/ H	H/ VH	H/ H	M/ M
Cust ₅	H/ H	H/ VH	VH/ VH	M/ M	M/ M
Cust ₆	M/ H	H/ H	H/ H	M/ M	M/ H
Cust ₇	M/ M	H/ H	H/ H	H/ M	H/ H
Cust ₈	M/ M	VH/ VH	VH/ VH	M/ H	H/ M

(0.15, 0.3, 0.45), and (0.1, 0.3, 0.5), respectively, which assessed by QFD team. In the fuzzy sense, the value of CRs then can be determined using (9) which are (1.163, 2.745, 7.49), (1.017, 1.824, 3.333), (1.057, 1.88, 3.333), (0.916, 2.04, 5.413), and (0.796, 1.993, 7.98).

4. 2. DRs' importance rating and total customer satisfaction

Once the importance level, the sales points, and value of CR_{*i*} are obtained, all of this outcomes could be transferred into the α -cut expression of the fuzzy sets \tilde{k}'_i , $\sqrt[4]{SP}_i$, and \tilde{V}_i by (11). For example, $[(V_2)_\alpha^L, (V_2)_\alpha^U] = [1.017 + 0.807\alpha, 3.333 - 1.509\alpha]$. Without any biases, the α levels in this paper are evenly distributed in [0, 1]. Let α_ξ denote the ξ th level, and $\alpha_\xi = \xi/\lambda$, $\xi \in \{0, 1, \dots, \lambda\}$, thus the distance between each two adjacent levels is equal, i.e. $\alpha_\xi - \alpha_{\xi-1} = \lambda^{-1}$, $\xi \geq 1$. Based on the transformation above, the lower and upper bounds of the fuzzy technical importance score \tilde{K}_i , $i=1, \dots, 5$, at each α level, can be determined by (12). And then, the final results of importance scores of each CR can be defuzzified by (14) as 0.043, 0.305, 0.206, 0.377, and 0.069, respectively.

To responding CRs for customer satisfaction, QFD team determines the corresponding design requirements (DRs) by design feasibility studies. Five DRs are proposed, including “heat slug exposed area” (DR₁), “heat slug attached material” (DR₂), “height of heat slug” (DR₃), “copper pattern” (DR₄), and “molding flow” (DR₅). The relationship between CR_{*i*} and CR_{*j*}, the relationship between CRs themselves, and the relationship between DRs themselves are evaluated by QFD team with the same linguistic evaluation levels set {VL, L, M, H, VH}. The initial HOQ is set and illustrated in Figure 2. According to the linguistic relationships in Figure 2, the fuzzy normalized relationship at each α -cut can be calculated using (16) and (17). An then, considering the importance scores of each CR, the lower and upper bounds of the fuzzy technical importance ratings $(\tilde{W}_j)_\alpha$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, J$, at each α level, can be obtained by (18) for determining the importance priority of each DR. The lower and upper bounds of $(\tilde{W}_j)_\alpha$ at various α levels are listed in Table 5. The results of fuzzy technical importance ratings of DRs can be applied to Chen and Weng’s model [8] to determine the performance

level of each DR for maximizing customer satisfaction. The fulfillment level of each DR and the total customer satisfaction degree (the objective function value) are calculated and shown in Table 6. Figure 3 indicates the membership functions of the total customer satisfaction degree of the QFD processes as α levels in the feasible regions using originally unique perspective and three perspectives for CRs ranking. Obviously, the membership function of the total customer satisfaction degree from proposed method is better than the unique perspective one, i.e., importance to customer requirements perspective, although all of them meet the requirement in new product planning.

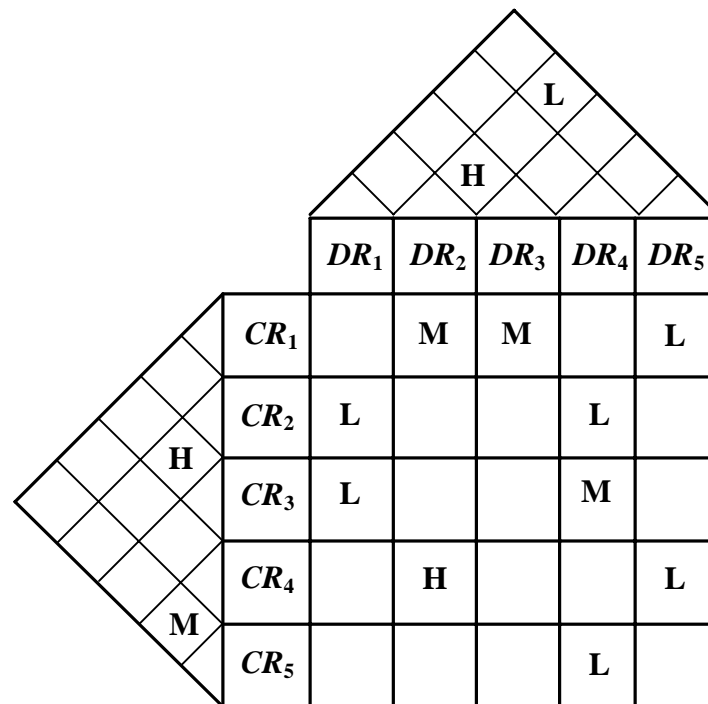


Figure 2. The HOQ for a T²BGA product planning

Table 5. The lower and upper bounds of \tilde{W}_j at different α levels

α	W_1^L	W_1^U	W_2^L	W_2^U	W_3^L	W_3^U	W_4^L	W_4^U	W_5^L	W_5^U
1	0.257	0.257	0.17	0.17	0.018	0.018	0.229	0.229	0.184	0.184
0.8	0.2	0.313	0.143	0.198	0.016	0.021	0.189	0.273	0.13	0.241
0.6	0.145	0.368	0.12	0.228	0.013	0.023	0.15	0.318	0.084	0.298
0.4	0.093	0.42	0.099	0.257	0.011	0.026	0.115	0.364	0.047	0.348
0.2	0.044	0.468	0.081	0.285	0.009	0.029	0.084	0.411	0.02	0.389
0	0	0.511	0.066	0.311	0.008	0.032	0.055	0.459	0	0.42

Table 6. Outcomes of the total customer satisfaction degree and fulfillment level of DRs

α	Z_1^L	Z_1^U	$x_1^{(L)}$	$x_1^{(U)}$	$x_2^{(L)}$	$x_2^{(U)}$	$x_3^{(L)}$	$x_3^{(U)}$	$x_4^{(L)}$	$x_4^{(U)}$	$x_5^{(L)}$	$x_5^{(U)}$
1	0.656	0.656	0.881	0.881	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.989	0.989	1	1
0.9	0.552	0.764	0.733	1	0.112	0.1	0.1	0.1	1	0.979	1	1
0.8	0.459	0.854	0.604	1	0.125	0.127	0.1	0.1	1	1	1	1
0.7	0.38	0.943	0.496	1	0.133	0.164	0.1	0.1	1	1	1	1
0.6	0.311	1.032	0.408	1	0.136	0.202	0.1	0.1	1	1	1	1
0.5	0.252	1.121	0.334	1	0.135	0.241	0.1	0.1	1	1	1	1

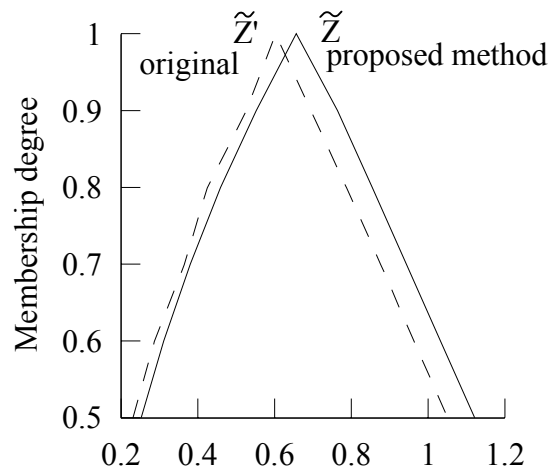


Figure 3. The membership functions of customer satisfaction with different approaches

5. CONCLUDING REMARKS

Determining the performance levels of DRs is an important decision problem in QFD applications, but recognizing and ranking the importance levels of customer requirements is more important issue for product planning. To improve the understanding of customer voice to obtain the better customer satisfaction, this study proposed a new method to aggregate the various assessment perspectives including, importance to customers, competition and value three perspectives to determine the importance scores of CRs. Moreover, determining the relationship between CRs and DRs and calculating the importance rating of DRs are further steps for a HOQ construction. This paper not only considered both relationship between DRs themselves but also take the relationship between CRs themselves into account to determine the relationship between CRs and DRs. A modified model is proposed to determine the relationship between CRs and DRs to improve the reasonability of the existing normalization model. Through the modification of the importance score of CRs and the the relationship between CRs and DRs, the importance rating DRs can be determine. The illustration of the proposed methods with a numerical example indicates that the total customer satisfaction degree is greater than that from the existing perspective of CRs evaluation while using the same fuzzy linear model. To enhance the customer satisfaction, the other considerations, such as the concept of theory of constraints or the group decision-making approaches could be modeled to improve the understanding of the voice of customer in the future study.

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