

ProBCA: A Taxonomy for MADM Ranking methods

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	Criteria	59	Distribution	18	Preference Model	42	Criteria Influence	17	Reasonable	104	Unlimited	205	Equivalent	64	Objective	111	Ratio	59	Assignment	146	Interacting	59	Hierarchical	65	N/A	58	N/A	58	Abstract	20	Distribution	24	Programming	116	
	Formulation	15	Intervals	13	Both	42	Both	18	Heavy	85	7	14	N/A	64	Objective	111	Distribution	16	Reference	18	Interacting	59	Hierarchical	65	N/A	58	Abstract	20	Distribution	24	Programming	116			
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			Top-Level Description	Type Count	1. Problem Specification					2. Criteria Definition					3. Preference Aggregation							
					1.1: Task Facilitated	1.2: Output Format	1.3: Ambiguity Presence	1.4: Relative Thresholds	1.5: Needed Resource	2.1: Criteria Count	2.2: Criteria Importance	2.3: Weights Basis	2.4: Weights Format	2.5: Definition Procedure	2.6: Criteria Dependency	2.7: Criteria Hierarchy	3.1: Options Count	3.2: Attribute Nature	3.3: Rating Format	3.4: Rating Procedure	3.5: Method of Aggregation	
Model Rankings	Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	AUTA-based aggregation-disaggregation type approach: allows to automatically deduce the preference model from a subset of considered alternatives. Employs Linear Preference model to color the value functions, graphically represented as a value tree.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
			Pairwise comparison of hierarchical criteria based on difference information (additive). Rankings estimated using the maximum eigenvector method. Performance evaluation uses a 5-point system. Suitable for multiple DMs with different value scales.	2	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			AHP basis with fuzzy evaluation of criteria weights.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			AHP extension where pairwise comparisons are based on ratios, and ranking approximations are based on the logarithmic least squares technique. Allows magnifying the difference between alternative performances to offer a better distinction between the alternatives. Used for the problems where the evaluation of some alternatives fit very close to each other.	2	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			Consensus analysis for GDM MAHP settings based on heuristic consistency constraint.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Programming
			An improved version of AHP featuring a revised rating procedure to resolve rank reversal in iterative applications. It involves normalising option Ratings to their sum (always equal to 1).	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	±25	Weighted	Objective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			Developed to aid problems that feature 2 conflicting objectives. Derives the total level of aspiration by combining the aspiration levels of individual criteria to identify the non-dominated alternative.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Reference	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
			A simple method for criteria weighting based on the geometric mean principle. Offers a rough approximation of the EM results at low effort only using one simple heuristic.	3	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			AGDM enrichment to the CRM method that allows aggregation of preferences into non-strict rankings by conjunctive elimination. Several GDM methods are used simultaneously to derive final ranking as an average. Particularly useful to derive accurate ranking in cases of inconsistent preferences.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	±25	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
			Aggregates probabilistic, incomplete and imprecise data from the various experts to derive the probabilistic ranking for the most important attributes of the involved solution alternatives. Does not use explicit criteria, but distinguishes between information sources using credibility rating.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Ratio	Probability	Programming	
Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	A MAUT-based method dedicated to ranking the solution options based on performance against multiple criteria. Originally introduced as part of the RFP process for Purchasing Functions, but can be used on its own. Involves utility scoring, functional utility scoring, and indifference thresholds. Suitable for dealing with a very large number of variables.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			General, non-linear evolution of AHP that uses Markov-chain based aggregation. Outlines the DP elements (criteria, solution alternatives) as a graph structure to investigate the network.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Interacting	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			ANP basis with the fuzzy expression of criteria weights.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	±25	Weighted	Objective	Ratio	Options-based	Interacting	Hierarchical	±25	Nominal	Ratio	Comparison	Functional	
			Extension to AIM using Bayesian randomization models implemented through "immunocomputing" to evaluate the alternatives with non-numeric, uncertain, and incomplete information.	1	Ranking	Distribution	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
			A simpler alternative to TOPSIS-like methods. Expert judgments may be contradictory, diverse, non-comprehending of the solution performances against the criteria are stored in sets, which are then ordered in accordance with similarity to hypothetical best and worst solution.	2	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
			Involves simple operations on the decision matrix where criteria weights are used as scalar multipliers. The matrix values are normalized against a common scale. No pairwise comparisons is involved and thus, a large number of criteria and options can be assessed.	8	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			An improvement to ARAS using Fuzzy numbers to deal with uncertain decision information due to subjectivity, hesitancy, or multiple opinions.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Distribution	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Distribution	Direct Rating	Functional	
			An improvement to ARAS using Grey numbers approach to deal with uncertain decision information expressed as interval bounds.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Interval	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Distribution	Direct Rating	Functional	
			An adaptation of the ARAS method for problems involving hierarchical criteria.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			Uses ordinal represented qualitative preferences. Uses 5 preference relations to compare the alternatives. Criteria weights are based on a 5-scale system. Constructs an outranking based preference graph. Outperforms other outranking methods by using interval or ratio scales.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	Users graph theory algorithms to specify the structural model for a decision situation using relevant information (parameters, scores, etc.), rather than have it previously established by the decision maker. Allows setting the desired precision for the parameter and outcome (rating) values in an iterative process.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	Both	Reasonable	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Interval	Probability	Functional	
			An AHP-like method developed specifically for policy evaluation, which implies uncertainty. Contrary to AHP (which involves subjective criteria weights), criteria preference is derived mathematically based on the equality or inequality of importance among the criteria.	1	Ranking	Distribution	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Distribution	Probability	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Ratio	Probability	Functional	
			Built upon MACB & ZAPROS, represents a practical application of the Dominance Search Theory to model the decision process. Facilitates problem structuring and choice between alternatives based on the decision maker's preference expressed in natural language. Does not require testing the number of considered alternatives since not all pairwise comparisons have to be made, some may be omitted based on the available information. Also called PAIR (Pairwise Transition) or PACOM (Pairwise Transition).	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Abstract	Order	Comparison	Programming	
			A simplification of BWM using a single base-criteria selected, which is pairwise compared against all other criteria to ensure fully consistent criteria weights.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			Similar to CIA, but requires that all criteria are already expressed in monetary terms (or other common scale) and includes the process for deriving criteria weights.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	±25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			Allows ranking the alternative alternatives to a particular problem in accordance with its effectiveness w.r.t. some particular criterion or a cost.	1	Ranking	Distribution	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	±25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Ratio	Probability	Programming	
			Uses the measures of critical, objective, and subjective factors within a compound formula to reflect both objective and subjective evaluations on individual parameters simultaneously.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			Aggregates the preferences ("perceptions") collected from a large number of different stakeholders, offering an additional metric, to measure the respondent's expertise and the importance of their opinion in the given project. Designed for use with BIM in the building industry, but could be adapted for other contexts.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			Originality a "pro-and-con" type tool and not a formal MCDM method. A qualitative business analysis framework for aligning the decisions with organizational strategy. Uses 4 dimensions: Financial, Customer, Internal, Growth. Allows deriving the criteria and solution alternatives to apply with MCDM criteria weighting and aggregation.	1	Formulation	Statements	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	N/A	N/A
			Based on selecting the best (most important) and the worst (least important) decision criteria followed by systematic pairwise comparison of the remaining criteria against these two. Involves a consistency ratio to self-consistency check to avoid unrealistic weight assignments with inconsistent pairwise comparisons.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
An adaptation of BWM for GDM i.e. a multitude of opinions regarding the best & worst criteria.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional			
Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	Serves as a cost-effective decision data collection tool. Uses the DM's best/worst preferences for all available options compared in pairs to derive priorities by identifying the maximum difference in option utilities. Although requiring some competence in MCDM theory for the analysis, this method is dedicated to offer a data gathering process that is simpler for the respondents to use.	1	Criteria	Distribution	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Reference	Independent	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			A highly flexible method for estimating high-precision preference structure of multiple DMs attributes, weights, prioritized from their overall evaluations, which may be used. Allows building a unique preference model for each individual DM or a unique situation depending on the goal of the task. Combines various analytical methods.	1	Criteria	Distribution	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	±25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			A reference-based, combination-based, functional, statistical.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
			A linguistic assessment scale is used to transform any linguistic term into a cloud of linguistic variables and further into numerical assessment values for Group DM.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			A qualitative ranking method that uses comparative assessments provided by multiple stakeholders in linguistic terms. Measures the degree of consensus between stakeholders.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			Not formally a MCDM method, but performs an equivalent function by evaluating the alternatives against two attribute dimensions: any negative aspects associated with an alternative are expressed in monetary terms as costs, while its positive aspects represent the utility components and may be expressed in other monetary terms or the desired measured units.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional
			Uses intelligent analysis of historical data to rank the existing solutions or help to derive the new ones based on the measure of similarity.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Ratio	Reference	Functional	
			A simple method for criteria weighting that offers a simpler calculation procedure than EM to produce similar results.	3	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			An interactive method that applies an Optimization technique (convex cone) to solve discrete selection problems with k-different preferences. It is used to derive a suitable reference function to compare the solution alternatives among each other.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
			A method for ranking option performance using integral approaches for problems involving a hierarchy of interactive criteria and incomplete preference information from the DM.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	±25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Distribution	Probability	Programming	
Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	A method for objective criteria weight derivation based on the performance of alternatives against each criterion and its individual effect on the overall ranking. Offers the ability to include the DM's subjective preferences for criteria weights (e.g. threshold, bias) on top of an objective weighting.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	Criteria Influence	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Distribution	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Measurable	N/A	N/A	N/A	Programming
			A Group DM method for defining criteria weights from multiple vague opinions using pairwise comparisons. Translates linguistic terms into fuzzy numbers.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Abstract	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			CGT approaches to deduce MCDM are used to consider preferential dependence, which exists in complex problems as a consequence of interaction among the criteria.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Heavy	±25	Weighted	Objective	Point Value	Options-based	Interacting	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Programming
			A method for objective derivation of weights for the criteria that exhibit dependencies between each other. Based on partial preorder of a reference set of criteria.	1	Criteria	Order	Preference Model	Criteria Influence	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Programming
			A simple procedure for objective criteria weighting based on measuring relative criteria impacts using entropy methods applied to Option Ratings.	2	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Functional
			Extension of CIOS method to deal with vague criteria less representation using triangle fuzzy numbers.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Functional
			One of the earliest MCDM methods, alternatives are ranked/deprioritized in accordance with placing the minimum criteria thresholds.	2	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
			A group method to map the DM's perception about the problem as a value tree (node & arrow diagram) representing the various connections and relationships between the criteria. Useful for structuring complex problems with multi-level quantitative and qualitative criteria that are difficult to comprehend in precise terms. Used as a precursor to criteria weighting methods.	1	Criteria	Statements	Preference Model	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	Assignment	Interacting	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			A simple method for ranking a large number of options on many criteria in the presence of multiple stakeholders.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			A compromise seeking method based on a combination of WGM and WPM.	8	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	Using Ranking Method	An extension to COCOSO with Grey Numbers to account for multiple expert opinions on the alternative ranks in a GDM setting.	2	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			A simple method similar to other well-known distance-based approaches, but allows specifying the indifference threshold to compare highly dissimilar options.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
			Uses the distance from the nearest characteristic objects and their value by determining the domain and Fuzzy Sets. Uses triangle fuzzy numbers to represent alternative alternatives to linguistic values of criteria for pairwise comparison.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	±25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	±25	Any	Point Value	Comparison	Separation	
			An improvement to SAW method that features the consideration of the maximising and minimising criteria influences to improve applicability and precision.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
			COPRAS method enhanced with Grey Relations to cater for imprecise data on attribute performances.	2	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Interval	Direct Rating	Functional	
			A hybrid method for assessing the Total Rate of Return for the considered alternatives based on a scaled combination of CBA (monetary criteria) and MCDA (for deriving new criteria based on non-monotonic).	1	Ranking	Distribution	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Probability	Programming	
			Post-processing method for MCDM tasks once the Pareto set of efficient options is identified. Defines the best solution as the one positioned the shortest distance from an ideal point in the absence of additional criteria. Uses Taylor expansion of utility value in the vicinity of the ideal point.	2	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
			Defines the criteria weights using an approach opposite to the EM method. Tests the correlation between criteria using the information contained in the Decision Matrix.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Distribution	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Measurable	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
			A method for cardinal criteria weights based on criteria ranks to represent ordinal importance information. Calculates criteria weights based on the identification of the most and the least important criteria. Allows grouping criteria that are less or more similar in importance. Implemented as software.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	N/A	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Separation
			An interactive procedure for choosing from a set of discrete criteria when the DM's preferences adhere to a convex value function.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Order	Reference	Programming	
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DRPE	Deep Ranking Analysis by Power Eigenvectors	2019	Rank the alternatives using pre-defined tournament table rules. Offers high-precision ranking in complex setups with incomplete data.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Preference Model	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Functional
DRPM	Double Reference Point Method	2018	A detailed method for assessing geographical performance indicators (e.g., sustainability) in complex GDM problem settings.	1	Ranking	Intervals	Both	Both	Both	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Distribution	Direct Rating	Programming
DST	Dempster Shafer Theory	2014	A method for ranking the alternatives in GDM settings that uses TOPSIS-like process to produce probabilistic ranking value using judgments from multiple DMs.	1	Ranking	Distribution	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Distribution	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Distribution	Direct Rating	Separation
ELBA	Elimination by Aspects	1972	Eliminates options one by one by outranking against each criterion in the order of probabilistic discrimination power until the single winning option remains.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Probability	Programming
EFP	Expert Elicitation Process	2011	A qualitative method for retrieving decision information from multiple experts before formulating an MCDM task. The information retrieved allows to formulate the objectives of the task (used as criteria in an MCDM task), prioritization of the objectives (to inform criteria weights), and define action alternatives (used as options).	2	Formulation	Statements	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A
ELECTRE GKMS	ELECTRE extension with ROR	1979	ELECTRE extension with Robust Ordinal Regression that uses ordered reference alternatives as baseline information for deriving preference. A complex, yet highly results, variable, and sensitive method for holistic preference elicitation.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Both	Both	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Order	Reference	Programming
ELECTRE II	ELECTRE version 2	1974	The first version of a ranking method based on ELECTRE II method used for choice problematic. Uses the concordance and discordance indices to transform a partial order into a complete order. These reflect the portion of criteria in which one alternative is at least as good (within the indifference threshold), or better than (outside of threshold), the other.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Both	Both	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional
ELECTRE III	ELECTRE version 3	1979	An improvement to ELECTRE II allowing to solve ranking problems with imperfect or incomplete information using pseudo-criteria.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Both	Both	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional
ELECTRE IV	ELECTRE version 4	1980	A simplification of the ELECTRE III method with unweighted criteria that replaces σ with relative coefficients for the performance evaluation credibility.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Both	Both	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional
ELECTRE SS	ELECTRE III with Stochastic Scoring	2002	ELECTRE III method that accounts for uncertainties in criteria importance weights.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	Both	Both	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Distribution	Probability	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional
ELICIT	N/A (custom name)	2017	A semi-objective criteria weighting method that uses the order of criteria importance provided by the DM to infer the most probable criteria weights using a statistical approach.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Functional
EN	Eigenvector Method	1936	Used to retrieve criteria weights using matrix operations on the normal criteria importance scoring from multiple DMs.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Pre-determined	Order	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional
ENAS	N/A (Foreign Transliteration)	2019	Evaluates the relative of complete alternative (e.g., projects, companies) in terms of how feasible (i.e., purely qualitative) hierarchical indicators provided in linguistic terms. Involves a hybrid case using ELECTRE III method (included from this list) to sort the actions into performance areas.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	Both	Both	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional
ER	Eventual Reasoning	2011	A generic, evidence-based approach to problems with quantitative & qualitative criteria under uncertainties, such as ignorance or randomness.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Probability	Functional
ES	Even Swaps	1978	The clear form of concept analysis where the preference relations are used to make trade-offs when evaluating the alternatives against each other. Uses "banning" method to check for non-criteria in terms of the other criteria.	4	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming
EVAMIX	Evaluation with Mixed data	1988	The global sum of two dominance indices (one for ordinal evaluations and one for cardinal) represents a single performance value to measure the dominance between each pair of alternatives.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Point Value	Probability	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
EWM	Entropy Weights Method	1992	Facilitates the definition of objective criteria weights from option performances where the DM has no information on criteria importance. Prone to resulting in criteria weights that may be 100% of times greater than other criteria.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Point Value	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Functional	
EXPROM	Extension of the PROMETHEE	2014	Applied to evaluating and ranking the alternative more accurately than PROMETHEE methods. EXPROM assesses the entering & leaving flows to produce a partial ordering. EXPROM I sorts the flow in the form of the first value and adds a full ranking of alternatives.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional
FANMA	N/A (custom name)	2002	A simple approach to ranking project or action alternatives that have a common basis (e.g., a geographical context (e.g., selecting what to fill with the available water from a dam)).	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
FARE	Factor Relationship	2014	A detailed method for determining the weights of criteria that exhibit measurable interdependence based on subjective scaling of the criteria importance by the DM.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional	
FCM	Fuzzy Cognitive Maps	1986	The application of Cognitive Maps method to depict the relationships between interdependent criteria.	1	Criteria	Order	Preference Model	Criteria Influence	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Interacting	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Programming	
FDEMATEL	Fuzzy DEMATEL	2014	DEMATEL modification intended for working with uncertainties in the decision input data.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Distribution	Probability	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional	
FDM	Fuzzy Decision Maps	2008	Application of FCM designed to dealing with the feedback effect due to criteria dependencies.	2	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	Criteria Influence	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Interacting	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional	
FDDM	Forest Decision-Making Matrix	2016	The first version of the pairwise comparison matrix where the relative performance between the options are assessed at either 0 or 1, and then calculated in a VSM-like approach. A simple, but easy to implement method.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Ratio	Comparison	Functional	
Fitradeoff-R	Flexible and Interactive Tradeoff for Ranking	2014	A software-based method for iterative ordering of alternatives based on incomplete preference information expressed through partial preorder of the hypothetical outcomes.	1	Ranking	Order	Preference Model	Option Ratings	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
FMEA	Failure Modes and Effects Analysis	1949	Although not a formal MCDM method itself, it is widely used across the industry to evaluate the risk levels based on both qualitative and quantitative aspects of a product or action. Uses a pre-defined criteria categories (Failure modes), scoring values (severity), and importance weights (likelihood) that are used to disclose the system's weakness, actual for the evaluation.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Both	Both	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional
FFC	Fuzzy Pairwise Comparison	1989	A fuzzy version of the Pairwise Comparison method dedicated to accounting for uncertainties in defining optimal criteria weights.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Ratio	Comparison	Functional
FUCA	Faire Un Choix Adequat ("Make an adequate choice" from French)	1989	A very simple method for ranking the Pareto front of equivalent alternatives. Each alternative is ranked based on its performance Scoring within each criterion (top rank for best Scoring, bottom rank for weakest performance). Then, weighted sum is calculated for each alternative based on option rank and performance Scoring for all criteria.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Functional
FUCOM	Full Consistency Method	2014	An elaborate method for deriving precise criteria weights based on simplified pairwise comparison procedure offering a more robust process.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Programming	
FWA	Fuzzy weighted average	2004	A thorough method for dealing with uncertain performance information to derive the fuzzy utility points for all alternatives with consideration of the DM's preference in the richness of criteria weighting.	1	Ranking	Intervals	Both	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Interval	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Interval	Direct Rating	Programming	
GAIA	Geometrical Analysis for Interactive Aid	2004	A visualization technique for MCDM problems that provides a graphical view of data points, and decision axes. Uses PCA method in its operation and represents a hierarchical analysis technique for DEMATEL criteria. This criterion is chosen as the most important criterion.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Direct Rating	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation
GCM	Group Cognitive Maps	1994	Cognitive Mapping ("OM" IT) method applied for Group DMs.	1	Formulation	Mixed	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Distribution	Assignment	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Distribution	Direct Rating	N/A	
GMCRC	Graph Model for Conflict Resolution	1994	A thorough method for deriving option scores based on subjective preference information expressed in immeasurable linguistic form (e.g. "Yes/No answers) against many criteria. Uses methodized Graph theory approach to infer ranking solution.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Abstract	Order	Comparison	Programming
GRA	Grey Relational Analysis	1994	Employs Grey System Theory to model incomplete or multiple information. Combines the use of other methods (AHP, TOPSIS) and accounts for DM compliance by weighting their actions.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Comparison	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Reference	Separation	
GRIP	Generalized Regression with Intensities of Preference	2001	An efficient (i.e., less effort-consuming) evolution of LTA GMS allowing the DM to provide performance information on comparable criteria only and not considering all criteria jointly, which leads to the derivation of a partial order.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Programming	
GTAH	Graph Theory and matrix analysis	2014	Dedicated to complex problems with dependence among the criteria. Considers multiple qualitative and quantitative attributes simultaneously. Requires fewer operations than other methods, offers similar feasibility at a cost of ordinal uncertainties and ordinality.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
GTAH	Hierarchical Additive Method	1987	Dedicated to complex problems with dependence among the criteria. Considers multiple qualitative and quantitative attributes simultaneously. Requires fewer operations than other methods, offers similar feasibility at a cost of ordinal uncertainties and ordinality.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Measurable	Ratio	Comparison	Functional	
HDT	Haze Diagram Technique	1995	A partial-ordering method capable of dealing with incomparability among the alternatives (i.e., where some criteria do not apply to all alternatives). A relatively complex method, however, capable of constructing a large number of alternatives across many criteria.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming
HEIM	Hypothetical Equivalents and Inequivalents Method	2005	A precise, mathematically robust, and yet relatively simple method for determining criteria weights using a hypothetical reference of equivalent weights.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Criteria Influence	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Objective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
HGDM	Hierarchical Group Decision-Making	2014	A subjective method for ranking projects (described with qualitative & quantitative criteria) in large GDM settings where the group DMs generate a hierarchical structure $n \times m$ (concrete assessment), includes the criteria of DM consistency.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
HIA	Hierarchical Interactive Approach	2014	A simple approach for dealing with a large number of hierarchical quantitative or qualitative criteria. Each criterion is evaluated individually at the lowest level. This is then used to construct a hierarchical matrix decision tree that characterizes and derives the weights.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Separation	
HRE	Heuristic Scoring Estimation	2016	An iterative process to retrieve the unknown criteria weights based on the known weights for the referenced set of criteria. The unknown weights are determined as an arithmetic mean of the values and ratios determined from the known weights.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Programming	
HSMAA	Hierarchical Stochastic Multi-criteria Acceptability Analysis	2020	An adaptation of SMAA to hierarchical criteria structure, produces probability based rankings using Monte Carlo simulation.	1	Ranking	Distribution	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Distribution	Probability	Independent	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Measurable	Distribution	Probability	Programming	
HT	Hierarchical Tradeoffs	1988	Makes the alternatives equivalent in all attributes except those identified by tradeoffs, then allows to outrank the alternatives against each of the interdependent criteria using a heuristic (representation).	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
IAMS	Iterative Added Material Selection	2019	A combination of QFD to assess the importance of criteria, and VIKOR to perform a robust ranking and selection of options.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
IDCR	Integral Design Characteristics Ranking	2014	Used to prioritize the technical characteristics based on the weighted outcome design requirements of a product at the early design stages. Dedicated for application after DFVHO has been used to elicit design characteristic weights.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Abstract	Order	Comparison	Functional	
IDOCRW	Integrated Determination of Objective Criteria Weights	2016	An integrated compensatory method that employs CLOS decision matrices and Entropy Method to measure relative criteria weights.	2	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Functional	
IDRCA	InterCriteria Decision Rule Approach	1997	A pairwise comparison method that relies on a mixed utility function to consider criteria weights & compromises. Determines the preferences using decision rule reliability scores.	1	Ranking	Order	Preference Model	N/A	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming
IOWA	Induced Ordered Weighted Average	1999	OWA extension that orders criteria using a designated ordering value instead of using performance rating magnitudes. This allows a more direct implementation of the resident user's function choice.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
IPS/IVP	Inner Product Space / Inner Product of Vectors	2014	Not a formal MCDM method, originates from engineering/hardware applications concerned with characterizing data clouds. Is an evolution to PCA, but designed to deal with highly inconsistent data clouds featuring multiple outliers.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional
IROR	Imprecise Robust Ordinal Regression	2011	ROR extension to deal with uncertain alternative Scoring.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Interval	Direct Rating	Programming
ISM	Interpretive Structural Modelling	1975	A software-based method that uses DM knowledge about the considered criteria to infer intercriteria influences and inform criteria weights by creating a binary relevance matrix.	1	Criteria	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	Comparison	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A
KANO	N/A (By Author's name)	1974	A qualitative method dedicated to ordering product priorities in accordance with their importance for the task at hand. Used as a precursor to calculating criteria weights using other methods.	1	Criteria	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Programming
KANO-F (F-KANO)	Fuzzy KANO	2014	An adaptation of the KANO method to allow for uncertainty or variability in the user/expert opinions, which may be expressed using more than 1 score, or withheld altogether.	1	Criteria	Order	Preference Model	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	Programming
KEMIRA	XEmeny Mendel Indicator Ranks Accordance	2014	Originally dedicated to Choise problematic, this method is presented as criteria weighting method because it does offer a ranking capability. Allows deriving criteria weights for problems involving 2 sets of different criteria (e.g., qualitative and quantitative, positive and negative, etc), where sets do not exhibit equal importance. Options (or he subalternates) ranked using ordination on both sets of criteria.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Order	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Programming	
KEMIRA-E	Entropy KEMIRA	2017	An extension of the KEMIRA method with extra tools to incorporate the consideration of 3 or more groups of criteria when deriving weights.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	Criteria Influence	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Objective	Order	Options-based	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Programming	
LAM (F-IFAM)	Linguistic Additive Method	2017	Uses attribute weights and attribute values of each alternative to derive the overall ranking using a linear compensatory process.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
LAM-FL	Fuzzy LAM	2014	A fuzzy extension to LAM for dealing with imprecise (interval) information on both criteria weights and Option Ratings.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
LFA	Loss Function Approach	2014	Calculates the total loss for each alternative by combining the individual attribute losses. Uses linear, quadratic, or cubic functions on a 0-1 scale to allow for alternative cost functions. Resolves the tie in the case of the entire performance values (i.e., a cubic function avoided) could differences.	2	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
LFON	Linguistic Fuzzy Decision Networks	2013	An extension to FDM (II) for dealing with uncertain definitions in the relative criteria importance.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional	
LNIMP	Linear Programming technique for Multidimensional Analysis of Preference	1973	An linear programming procedure based on conflict analysis to rank the ordered information. Assumes the weights and locates the ideal solution to identify the alternative closest to it.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Objective	Point Value	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Order	Comparison	Separation	Functional
LM	Linguistic Graphical Method	1993	Compares all options against the most important criteria first based on criterion importance as part of the input data. Compares and outranks the options (selects the most important criteria) in the order of decreasing importance until only one alternative is left.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
LOWA	Linguistic OWA	1999	OWA extension that uses convex linguistic scales to define preference values.	2	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional
MABAC	Multi-Attribute Border Approximation Area Comparison	2014	The method calculates the values of criteria functions for each alternative and then evaluates the distance between the total criteria value for each alternative and the approximation area border. The ranking is based on this distance, with the farthest option representing the most preferred solution. Proposed as having better precision than more basic distance-based methods.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Objective	Point Value	Options-based	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
MACBETH	Measuring Attractiveness by a categorical Based Evaluation Technique	1976	A simplified method similar to the AHP that uses pairwise comparisons to evaluate both the criteria and options. Linguistically defined qualitative performance evaluations are used to generate 3 possible numerical scores against weighted criteria.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	≤ 25</				

MiniMax	Minimax	194	The reverse of the Maximin method representing the weakest link principle eliminates alternatives that perform below their highest performance criteria. Suitable for the situations where solutions are not expected to differ, the method seeks to highlight the worst performance across all criteria.	4	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
MIVES	Método Integrado de Valor para Estructuras Sostenibles	2010	A procedure for structuring complex MCDM problems and assessing options in terms of value that uses both cardinal evaluations and dominance relations. Uses multi-stakeholder workshops to gather input information and translates it into objective problem setup parameters. Allows choosing an appropriate value function to represent risk/uncertainty behaviour.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Interval	Direct Rating	Functional	
ML-FDM	Multi-Level Fuzzy Decision Maps	2010	An extension to FDM (D) for dealing with multi-level criteria hierarchies that allows denoting the ranking of alternatives.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Criteria Influence	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparation	Interacting	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Nominal	Ratio	Comparation	Functional
MMASSI	Methodologia Multicriterio para Apoio a Selecao de Sistemas de Informacao	2000	Similar to the AHP but avoids the use of Pairwise Comparisons by using pre-defined set of option performance criteria, allowing to cover an exhaustive set of generic factors.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
MMCDM	Markovian MCDM	2004	A Group DM algorithm based on a steady-state Markov chain from pairwise comparisons to produce a ranking vector. Offers a relatively quick evaluation of very large amounts of alternatives, with little information requirements, involves weighting both the criteria and DM competence evaluation.	1	Ranking	Distribution	Both	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Ratio	Probability	Programming	
MOORA	Multi Objective Optimization by Ratio Analysis	2006	A simple method for ranking the alternative options, which is based on the principles borrowed from the Multi-Objective Optimisation (MOSM) domain.	8	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
MSIP	Multidimensional Scaling with Ideal Point	1964	DM solutions for preference order on the alternatives are used to represent them as points in space, which are then compared against the ideal solution point. The judgements on criteria are converted into two dimensions reflecting Similarity and Dissimilarity.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Ratio	Comparison	Separation	
MULTIMOORA	Multiplicative MOORA	2010	A version of MOORA that uses multiplicative value function method with the reference-point approach to offer a higher precision of results.	3	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
MUSA	Multicriteria Satisfaction Analysis	2010	A preference disaggregation method used to assess satisfaction utility function to review a global satisfaction criterion consistent with customer preference. Helps to assess the performance of alternatives for a customer's latent relevant criteria (i.e. customer satisfaction dimensions).	1	Ranking	Distribution	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
MUSA-INT	Interactive MUSA	2010	An evolution of UTA-GMS-INT that involves dependent criteria to allow the definition of groups using reference value/customer profiles.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
MAZM	Martel & Zarm Method	1990	Dedicated to problems where option performance against each attribute is uncertain and provided in the form of probability distributions. Uses stochastic dominance to derive partial preferences based on concordance and discordance indices derived using the ELECTRE method.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Both	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Distribution	Probability	Programming	
NAFM	Non-Additive Fuzzy Integral Method	2010	An implementation of the non-additive development of the Sugeno integral for problems involving uncertainties e.g. linguistic variables.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
NAIDE	Novel Approach to Imprecise Assessment and Decision Environments	1998	Establishes pairwise outranking relations on fuzzy alternatives. Offers 6 distinct preference relations to remove the requirement for the DM to define performance thresholds.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
NAROR	Non-Additive Robust Ordinal Regression	2010	A detailed method for determining the relative order of preference for complex alternatives that are characterised by the interdependent criteria with uncertain weights.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Reference	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Order	Reference	Programming	
NDEA	Stack-Based Measure DEA	2013	A method for ranking objective (measurable) alternatives w.r.t. DM preferences expressed by a set of complex, hierarchical, but unweighted criteria.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
NEAT	New Easy Approach to Fuzzy PROMETHEE	2021	An efficient (less effort-consuming), user-friendly approach to applying Fuzzy PROMETHEE method.	1	Ranking	Intervals	Both	Option Ratings	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
NET	Nominal Group Technique	1970	A structured method for identifying ratios of subjective outcome thresholds. Facilitates equal contribution from stakeholders and quick agreement on the final ranking.	1	Formulation	Mixed	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Ratio	Probability	N/A	
NMUTA (UTA-NM)	Non-monotonic UTA	1995	Derives the order of priority for quantitative alternatives in cases where the preferred performance values are not strictly defined and are instead represented by a range.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Ratio	Comparison	Programming	
NNCI	Noncompensatory, Nonlinear Composite Indicators	2000	Derives a ranking order for a set of alternatives characterised by the quantitative (measurable) criteria exhibiting equivalent importance and uncertain performance scores.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Ratio	Comparison	Programming	
NSFSDS	Non Structural Fuzzy Decision Support System	2002	Applies relative fuzzy theory using linguistic variables rather than quantitative. Implemented in 3 stages: decomposition, comparative judgment, and synthesis of priorities.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparation	Independent	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
OPA	Ordinal Priority Organisation	2010	A method for ranking a set of discrete decision alternatives in GDM setting, which also considers DM competence differences.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
ORESTE	Ordinal Evaluations de l'alternative et Synthèse des Données Relationnelles	1988	Uses ordinal evaluations of alternatives and importance-based criteria ranking. The distance function is used to derive a complete ranking of alternatives based on preference/inference relations. Allows incomparability by aggregating a global ranking.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Option Ratings	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Separation	
ORME	Order Scoring Methodology	2010	A combination of PCA and ELECTRE that requires aggregating the many criteria into 2 or 3 main ("principal") axes. These axes are independent and are analysed using 2D or 3D PCA, but the axes with each axis must be relevant to each other.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	Both	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Reference	Functional	
OWA	Ordered Weighted Average	1990	A family of aggregation functions that allow adjusting the shape of the value function by selecting criteria weights appropriately. The criteria weights are ordered in accordance with option ratings, but specific weight values are selected by the DM to reflect the desired preference behaviour.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
OWG	Ordered Weighted Geometric	2010	An evolution of OWA with fuzzy sets that uses 3 types of information about option performances from the DM: preference orderings, utility functions, and fuzzy preference relations. The usage of aggregated information requires updating the data and based on the geometric Mean instead of arithmetic.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional	
OWG	Ordered Weighted Geometric Average	2010	An OWA-based aggregation method that uses the max & min performance values of each criterion to set its importance weighting values.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
PACMAN	Passive and Active Comensability Multicriteria Analysis	1998	Distinguishes between the active & passive criteria to demonstrate compensation asymmetry. Binary indexes are used to identify preference relations.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	Criteria Influence	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparation	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Programming	
PAIRS	Preference Aggregation by Imprecise Ratio Statements	1990	An interactive method based on the value trees with imprecise preference statements and interval-based criteria weights. Uses Linear Programming to derive dominance relations. Originally implemented as a computer program; requires expertise to implement independently.	1	Ranking	Intervals	Both	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Comparation	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Interval	Direct Rating	Functional	
PAMSEM	Procedure d'Aggrégation Multicritère de type Surclassement de Synthèse par Évaluations Mixtes	1996	A hybrid of ELECTRE II, NADE & PROMETHEE I. Uses fuzzy evaluations and concordance/discordance indices for preference aggregation to determine preference relations between the alternatives. PAMSEM allows for incomparability of alternatives to form a partial preorder. PAMSEM is recursive (includes an iterative total order).	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	Both	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Programming	
PAPRIKA	Potentially All Pairwise Rankings of all possible Alternatives	2000	A survey-based statistical technique for determining the subjective valuation of the different solution alternatives based on conjoint analysis. Users express their preference on the relative importance of criteria/attributes by pairwise comparison of the alternative options.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
PCA	Principal Component Analysis	1980	A multivariate statistical technique demonstrated to be an effective standalone ranking method (not originally a formal MCDM method). Used for complex information pre-processing to reduce a large set of criteria into a few principal components.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
PDM	Pugh Decision Matrix	1990	A qualitative technique capable of ranking the options based on all factors relevant for a particular PC. As opposed to the Decision Matrix tool used in the other methods, judges an effective standalone MCDM method capable of deriving recommendations at low effort.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Functional	
PHSS	Pliothonic HyperSoft Set	2020	Plithogenic logic is a new mathematical approach representing the generalisation of the four existing approaches for dealing with sets of different accuracy levels: Crisp, Fuzzy, intuitionistic fuzzy and Neutrosophic. Used in MCDM approaches as a universal preference aggregation approach. Offers supreme flexibility for dealing with data at multiple accuracy levels of accuracy.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
PRECIA	Pair Pair-wise Relative Criteria Importance Assessment	2017	A method for defining criteria weights in large GDM settings with highly diverse options.	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparation	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional	
PIV	Proximity Index Value	2018	Specifically proposed to minimise the issue of Rank Reversal. Relies on the measure of proximity proximity to the best available or ideal possible solution. Introduces the Proximity Index Value and processes it against the value & weight of each criterion considering. The overall Proximity Value for each alternative is then derived and used for ranking.	3	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
PLVF	Piecewise Linear Value Functions	2010	Piecewise linear value functions offer a simpler alternative to non-linear value functions to derive reliable utility values to rank the options. The precision of this approach compares with non-linear value functions while requiring a level of effort comparable to using linear ones.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
PMADM	Prospect-based MADM	2010	An GDM approach to derive option scoring based on future event probabilities and the limitation to consider Option Reversal.	1	Formulation	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming		
PPARC	Preference Programming through Approximate Ratio Comparisons	1995	A relatively simple method for dealing with uncertain weighting of hierarchical criteria (e.g. in a GDM setting) that offers progressive development of the result before all pairwise assessments are done, thus reducing the workload burden on the DM.	1	Ranking	Intervals	Both	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Comparation	Independent	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Nominal	Interval	Comparison	N/A	
PP-IOI	Preference Programming with Incomplete Ordinal Information	2013	A Preference Programming-type method that uses ordinal information to reflect both the criteria weights and the performance scoring of alternatives in GDM settings.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Both	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Reference	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Interval	Direct Rating	Programming	
PRAGMA	Preference Ranking Global Frequencies in Multicriteria Analysis	2010	The analytical component of the MAPRAC method that derives a global ranking of alternatives based on their "action profiles" (graphically represented commensurable behaviour) against selected criteria (partial profile) or criteria full profile, where the behaviour of the different alternatives may differ significantly.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
PREFCALC	PREFERENCE CALCULATOR	1990	A UTA extension enabling the DM to directly reflect on the shape of the Value Functions derived. Includes the classical aggregation phase to estimate model parameters (weights, and the dissonance classes to assess DM's holistic judgements).	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Separation	
PRAM	Programme utilisant l'Intelligence Artificielle en Multicritère (French)	1988	An interactive, unstructured method based on an AI-like searching tree software to narrow down the set of available alternatives to a feasible subset by series of pairwise comparisons. Represents a ranking method of its own, but extends to a selection task by the consideration of incomparability between alternatives ("I don't know" user statements).	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Programming	
PRIME	PREFERENCE Ranks in Multicriteria Evaluations	2002	Used to analyse the incomplete information in multi-attribute weighting models. Involves constructing an imprecise preference model from imprecise ratio judgements. Ranks the options based on the dominance structure and the decision rules using subjective comparisons.	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Criteria Influence	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Ratio	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
PROMETHEE GKS	PROMETHEE ROR extension	2010	A Robust Ordinal Regression-based extension to the classical PROMETHEE methods. Allows using the desired ordering of reference alternatives as the baseline information for deriving preferences.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Reference	Programming	
PROMETHEE I	Preference Ranking Organization Method for Enrichment of Evaluations I	1980	Uses outranking based on preference thresholds and Concordance and Discordance preferences. Produces partial ranking of alternatives, which allows for incomparability. Partial ranking implies that additional evaluation effort is required to retrieve a clear view of the prioritised alternatives, but allows to exclude poorly performing options.	2	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional	
PROMETHEE I-F	PROMETHEE II	2017	A PROMETHEE I-basis with fuzzy representation of uncertain preference information.	2	Ranking	Order	Both	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Interval	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional	
PROMETHEE II	PROMETHEE II	1985	An extension of PROMETHEE I that offers a complete ordering of alternatives by resolving incomparabilities using the aggregation of entering and leaving flows.	2	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional	
PROMETHEE II-F	PROMETHEE III	2017	A PROMETHEE II-basis with fuzzy representation of uncertain preference information.	2	Ranking	Order	Both	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Interval	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional	
PROMETHEE III	PROMETHEE III	2010	Produces an interval order of option priorities to emphasise preference relations and coping with incomparability. This is achieved by allowing for option performance overlaps when deriving an interval order of preferences, which effectively accounts for uncertainty in the evaluation of alternative performances. Accounts for risk in the form of certain performance scores.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Comparison	Functional	
PRUF	Probabilistic Relational Universal Fuzzy	1978	A method for translating verbal (linguistic) assessments of option performance into probabilistic values with application of fuzzy logic to account for vagueness in verbal assessments.	1	Formulation	Distribution	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Interval	Probability	N/A	
PSO-SA	Particle Swarm Optimization with Simulated Annealing	2020	Compares all possible ranking orders of the solution options to identify the one offering highest satisfaction with respect to criteria.	2	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming	
QF / HOQ	Quality Function Deployment / House of Quality	1966	Used to translate product requirements into design specifications. Used to rank product design characteristics by quantifying its relationship product requirements through importance measures. QFD operation is based on the MCDM concepts and also to prioritising multicriteria options.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional	
QUALIFLEX	QUALIFLEX by FLEXIBLE multicriteria method	1978	Uses concordance analysis for dealing with uncertain weighting of hierarchical criteria on the criteria with ordinal information.	1	Ranking	Order	Both	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Comparation	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Interval	Direct Rating	Programming	
RA	Realization Analysis	2010	Requires representing a complex system of criteria through 2 parameters, Value & Cost. Serves to uncover the full spectrum of the potential outcomes in the decision situations involving uncertainty and high similarity of the alternatives. Particularly useful for the practical decision-making in situations that are traditionally served by classical methods.	1	Ranking	Distribution	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Distribution	Probability	Separation	
ROBP	Ranking Based on Optimal Points	2010	Finds the best option by measuring the distances of the available alternatives from the optimal and decision alternatives. The best alternative is closest to its optimum points and the optimal points simultaneously. The criteria are not outlined explicitly but defined through "hypothetical" "optimum" alternatives used to map the available options against them.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Any	Order	Comparison	Functional	
RE	Rank Exponent	1981	A method for semi-objective criteria weighting. Similar to RR, but its formula involves an additional parameter for the number of ranking dimensions. Allows working with unknowns involving a mix of both ordinal and cardinal weights.	4	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional	
REGIME	REGIONAL Multicriteria Elimination	1981	Builds a pairwise comparison matrix using +1 for positive dominance, 0 for equivalent alternatives, and -1 for negative dominance to build weighted pre-order of alternatives.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming	
REMBRANDT	Preference Ranking Global Frequencies in Multicriteria Analysis	1990	A multiplicative version of the AHP that uses pairwise comparison to subjectively perform both criteria weighting and option performance scoring tasks.	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparation	Independent	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Nominal	Ratio	Comparison	Programming	
RI	Relative Importance	1999	A method for criteria weighting that uses a non-iterative analytical procedure to offer the result nearly identical to EM. Used to replace the EM method for the constrained method for determining precise criteria weights based on DM's criteria importance statements and assessment of option rankings based on interval scores. Allows for both known and uncertain information on option performances against various criteria.	3	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparation	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional	
RICH	Rank Inclusion in Criteria Hierarchies	2010	A constraint method for determining precise criteria weights based on DM's criteria importance statements and assessment of option rankings based on interval scores. Allows for both known and uncertain information on option performances against various criteria.	1	Ranking	Intervals	Preference Model	Criteria Influence	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	≤ 25	Nominal	Interval	Direct Rating	Programming	
RIM	Reference Ideal Method	2010	A method for semi-objective criteria weighting that offers an improved, reliable performance over ROC method by using a more mathematical probabilistic assumption. Unrestricted weights are assumed to have uniform distribution and calculated using probability density functions. Product criteria weights are similar to IS method and more robust than ROC method.	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
RIM-F (FRIM)	Fuzzy Reference Ideal Method	2010	A fuzzy version of the RIM method that deals with imprecise option ratings and reference interval bounds.	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation	
RWCDM	Robust MCDM	2010	Combines subjective and objective approaches (EM I, AHP, TOPSIS, and VIKOR methods) to minimise risk and maximise gain by introducing the consideration of DM views into objective analysis. Deals with various types of criteria that may not be numerical and have to be evaluated subjectively. Uses comparative outranking against hypothetical solution																			

SA	Stakeholder Analysis	1997	Not a formal MCDM method originally. Offers decision-aiding function by helping the DM to identify the key actors / stakeholders in a project, and assess their respective interests and influences. The evaluations from different stakeholders are used to define the criteria. The possible actions affected by the evaluation define the options.	1	Criteria	Statements	N/A		N/A		Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	N/A		Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	
SAST	Strategic Assumptions Surfacing and Testing	1979	The procedure for deriving criteria importance weights based on two key metrics: importance and uncertainty	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	N/A	Abstract	N/A	N/A	N/A	Programming		
SAW	Simple additive Weighting	1974	Simplified MAUT/special case MAUT with additive value function normalised on a 0-1 scale. Involves direct addition of the alternative performances multiplied by the criteria weights	8	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional			
SAW-F (FSAW)	Fuzzy SAW	2013	SAW basis with fuzzy representation of the criteria weights	3	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Subjective	Distribution	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Distribution	Direct Rating	Functional			
SBER	Simulation-Based Evidential Reasoning	2014	A simulation-based extension to the original Evidential Reasoning method for dealing with information [multiple conflicting "belief scoring"], requires a computer code to execute	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Probability	Programming			
SCA (I)	Strategic Choice Approach	1987	An interactive method for dealing with problems involving complex knowledge. Facilitates consensus between stakeholders or assessing the solution options through a joint learning process. Uses pairwise comparison of alternatives to derive a graphical representation of the overall comparison between each pair. Implemented as STRAD software	1	Ranking	Distribution	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	Unlimited	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Order	Probability	Programming			
SCA (II)	Strategic Compromise Programming	1999	A combination of CP and GIS methods for prioritising among the geographical solution alternatives where different geographical locations are used as a separability criterion	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Criteria Influence	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation				
SI	Sugeno Integral	2004	A detailed, precise technique to rate option performances against the Max & Min reference point on interacting criteria	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Order	Comparison	Programming			
SIMOS	N/A (By author's name)	1996	N/A (for objective derivation of the criteria weights using a linguistic set of coloured cards. Simplifies the elicitation of relative criteria importance evaluations in a flexible manner.	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Programming			
SIPRES	Simos' Procedure for Reference Situations	2015	The combined ZAPROS & Simos methods for ranking qualitative alternatives using quantitative information	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Nominal	Ratio	Reference	Separation			
SIR	Superiority and inferiority ranking	2010	An extension of the PROMETHEE method that introduces Superiority & Inferiority concepts instead of Concordance & Discordance. Can be applied to rank the alternatives on its own or in combination with other existing methods for criteria weighting and actions ranking	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional			
SIR-F/#/IG	Fuzzy SIR / Grey SIR	2010	A fuzzy extension to SIR for dealing with uncertainty in option Scoring. A variety of versions exist, including Fuzzy, Grey, and grey-intuitionistic representation of option Scoring. Always working with many criteria in a hierarchical structure, but forces the user to narrow down to 15 flat criteria in the process, includes the consideration of risk consequences	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	Option Ratings	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation			
SMAA	Stochastic Multicriteria Acceptability Analysis	1998	A ranking method based on stochastic simulation of fuzzy uncertainties. Uses option performances to derive criteria weights by calculating the "rank acceptability index" for each possible rank order of options	1	Ranking	Order	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Comparison	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming			
SMAA-2	SMAA for GDM	1998	SMAA adapted for incomplete preference information presented using value ranges	1	Ranking	Order	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Comparison	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming			
SMAA-3	SMAA with thresholds	1998	SMAA with thresholds limiting the possible option values, which affects the possible selection of option rankings from which criteria weights are calculated.	1	Ranking	Order	Preference Model	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Comparison	Comparison	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming			
SMAA-4	SMAA based on Achievement functions	2002	SMAA that uses subsets of reference points to derive criteria weights that produce the most acceptable ranking order of alternatives	1	Ranking	Order	Both	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Interval	Reference	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming				
SMART	Simple Multi-Attribute Scoring Technique	1998	Simplified MAUT/special case MAUT: uses an additive model with a linear simplification of the utility/value function. Assumes independence of utility and preference. Independent preferences are assessed at a common scale. Includes a simple approach to derive criteria weights	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Ratio	Reference	Functional			
SMART	SMART Exploiting Ranks	1994	An improvement to SMART's effecting methodology for the pre-specified attributes elicitation for the pre-specified attributes elicitation for the pre-specified attributes	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparison	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Ratio	Reference	Functional			
SMARTS	SMART + Swings	1994	An improvement to SMART method that resolves its insensitivity to ranges/variability of utility values. Uses SWING method to derive criteria weights from subjective elicitation	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Ratio	Reference	Functional			
SMCDM	Stratified Normal	2014	Uses stratification concept to consider the possible probabilistic variations in criteria weights while a decision is being made or after it was made	1	Ranking	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	N/A	Ratio	Probability	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional			
SNOD	Scale of Normalized and Ordered Differences	2004	A VDA method involving the independent criteria grouped into hierarchical subsets. Performs a pairwise analysis of advantages and disadvantages between the alternatives. VDA procedures imply verbal participation of the DM's i.e. qualitative, verbal responses retrieved through interviews are fed into the analytical model to aggregate a numerical preference scores	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Ratio	Comparison	Programming			
SODA	Strategic Options Development and Analysis	2010	A qualitative method that uses a form of Cognitive Mapping process to build a value map, which in MADM problems can be used as a mean to define the criteria and their hierarchy. Dedicated to underdefined problems of both quantitative and qualitative nature. Centred around the subjectivity of stakeholder views in organisational decision-making tasks	2	Formulation	Statements	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
SORR	Stochastic Ordinal Regression for Ranking	2014	A method built by combining the approaches from SMAA, ROR, & EMA methods. It allows building a very detailed representation of the DM's preferences using scarce data and derive a reliable ranking recommendation based upon several different utility function types	1	Ranking	Distribution	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Comparison	Programming			
SP	Scenario Planning	1996	A planning approach that leverages the full range of possible events and outcomes to select the best course of action. Consideration of the various possible scenarios is corrected for the common cognitive biases (overconfidence, tunnel vision). Combines both qualitative and quantitative planning means (the latter typically related to scenario's timeline)	1	Ranking	Distribution	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Abstract	Order	Comparison	Programming			
SPOTS	Stable Preference Ordering Towards Ideal Solution	2020	A simple method for ranking deterministic options based on how far they fall from the ideal solution available for each criterion	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Option Ratings	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation			
SRF	Simos-Roy-Flagley (Revised SIMOS)	2002	An improved version of the SIMOS method for criteria weights derivation based on reference points: rather than mutual comparison between criteria	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	Criteria Influence	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Programming			
SS	Light Scoring	2014	One of the simplest methods for ranking the alternatives. Relies on transforming a complete set of values and requirements into a card (usually elastic, exhaustive, and relevant) criteria. Particularly effective in Group DM settings. Separate options are scored directly by voting and ranking using the sum or the average of the provided scores	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Hierarchical	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Programming			
SSM	Soft Systems Methodology	1994	A method for defining objectives/criteria for complex, poorly defined or vague decision problems through an interactive interview/questionnaire process. Offers a strong qualitative capability and involves comparing the considered problem against the existing or past real world examples. Results of trials of criteria that can be further used in MCDM analyses	1	Formulation	Statements	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Assignment	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
SURE	Simulated Uncertainty Range Evaluations	2014	An improvement to MAARE method using triangular distribution simulations to reflect the uncertainty in the performance of alternatives. Produces a range of possible values with the most likely value indicated	1	Ranking	Distribution	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Distribution	Probability	Functional			
SUSAP	Sustainability appraisal in Infrastructure projects	2000	A method for translating strategic objectives into finite criteria in large group settings (e.g. public polls) to pre-process objectives for MCDM activities before using an aggregation method (e.g. WMA)	1	Formulation	Point Values	Both	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Subjective	Point Value	Comparison	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Any	Distribution	Direct Rating	N/A			
SWARA	Step-wise Weight Assessment Ratio Analysis	2016	A method for criteria weighting in Group DM settings based on the frequency of criteria mentions in respondent opinions. Requires the involved stakeholders to express their opinions regarding criteria importance, which are then combined to yield the resultant relative criteria weights	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Weighted	Pre-determined	Order	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Any	N/A	N/A	Functional			
SWING	Derived from the concept of swinging between extremes	1984	A multi-stage method for deriving criteria weights based on the total range of possible option ratings. Uses dedicated functions (linear, non-linear) to allow different preference shapes between the extremes	1	Criteria	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Reference	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Functional			
SWING-I (ISWING)	Imprecise SWING	2012	ISWING: criteria weighting method adapted for partial preference inputs	1	Criteria	Point Values	Preference Model	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Reference	Independent	Flat only	N/A	Measurable	N/A	N/A	Functional			
SWOT	Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats	1998	Originally a "pros-and-cons" type tool and not a formal MCDM method. Can be used to inform the system of criteria for strategic decision problems. A qualitative tool for defining the parameters/VPs considering the specifics of the surrounding business environment. Evaluates the situation and potential actions against 4 dimensions: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats	1	Formulation	Statements	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
TACTIC	Treatment of the Alternatives According To the Importance of Criteria	1994	Concordance & discordance based preference evaluation is used on DM's subjective judgements to yield the most objective order of alternatives based on the relative importance of criteria	1	Ranking	Order	Option Ratings	Both	Heavy	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Subjective	Order	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Order	Reference	Programming			
TCO	Total Cost of Ownership	2011	A quantitative method for evaluating quantitative & qualitative decision aspects through a common factor expressed in monetary terms. Allows for imperfect quantification of non-monetary aspects. Is not originally part of the MCDM domain, but allows to derive a merit for ranking the alternative solutions. Allows the inclusion of DM's consistency rates	1	Ranking	Intervals	Both	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Objective	Point Value	Options-based	Interacting	Hierarchical	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional			
TOODM	Interactive Multi-Criteria Decision Making (Port.)	1991	Facilitates gathering the insights about DM/Stakeholder subjective preferences. Uses dominance measure to reproduce the gain/loss function of prospect theory	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation			
TOODM-CPT	TOODM based on Cumulative Prospect Theory	2013	An extension of TOODM that takes criteria interactions into account	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation				
TOODM-E	Extended TOODM	2019	An extension of TOODM method for dealing with probability intervals	1	Ranking	Intervals	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Interval	Probability	Separation				
TOODM-F	Fuzzy TOODM	2013	An extension of the original TOODM method for dealing with imprecise decision information expressed by the DM in interval or linguistic values	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Distribution	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Distribution	Direct Rating	Separation			
TOODM-IF	Intuitionistic Fuzzy TOODM	2014	A general extension to TOODM that considers hesitation regarding option performances	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Reference	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Interval	Direct Rating	Separation			
TOPSIS	Technique for Order of Preference by Similarity to Ideal Solution	1981	Implements the solutions closest to the ideal goal using Euclidean distances by minimising the distance to the ideal solution and maximising the distance to the anti-ideal solution. Requires fewer calculations than VIOR	3	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation				
TOPSIS-F	Fuzzy TOPSIS	2012	A TOPSIS basis with fuzzy representation of criteria weights and options. Scoring is represented as a discordance of opinions in a GDM setting	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation			
TORP	Trade-Off Ranking	2016	Always choosing the best alternative from a set of equivalent Pareto Optimal solutions (as produced by an MCDM procedure) by ranking based on minimizing trade-off	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation				
TRUST	Trigger-based Automatic Subjective Weighting	2009	An efficient method (i.e. avoids pairwise comparisons) for prioritising options using a combination of subjective and objective judgements on specific technical and natural parameters outside of DM's control (e.g. equipment performance values)	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Abstract	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional			
ULOWA	Unbalanced Linguistic Ordered Weighted Averaging	2010	An extension to LOWA that uses non-uniform distribution of fuzzy values assigned to linguistic labels to allow a more precise, case-specific adjustment of the DM's preference behaviour. This helps to deliver a more realistic interpretation of the linguistic terms provided by the DMs with different opinion weights	2	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Reasonable	Unlimited	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional			
UTA	Utilities Additives	1982	The core method is a set of "aggregation/disaggregation" approaches originally designed as an alternative to MAUT. Optimally uses additive value function consistent with the global preferences assessed through rankine a set of reference alternatives by the DM	3	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Point Value	Reference	Programming			
UTA-GMS	Extension of UTA with GMS (named by the authors' names)	2004	A version of the UTA method that uses permutation of all possible consistent value functions to identify the most suitable one	3	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Point Value	Reference	Programming			
UTA-GMS-INT	UTA-GMS for Interacting criteria	2014	An extension of the UTA-GMS method using Non-Additive Integrals to allow for dependence between criteria	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Point Value	Reference	Programming			
UTAMF	UTA Meta-Process	2009	An extension to UTA that highlights the differences between successive reference actions to yield a more pronounced preference model	3	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Interacting	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Point Value	Reference	Programming			
UTASTAR	UTA with Stability Analysis	1994	A more precise version of UTA that addresses constant values with error margins in the reference points	1	Ranking	Point Values	Option Ratings	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Equivalent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Any	Point Value	Reference	Programming			
VCO	Variation of Criteria Importance Order	2011	Objectivity of this method is supported by the fact that it calculates all possible variations of criteria rank orders can be used. This allows to graphically demonstrate the probability of a particular criteria to take a particular rank position, where the section area for each criterion on the graph can be used to define the final rank position for that criterion among others	1	Ranking	Intervals	Both	N/A	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Order	Comparison	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming			
VIKOR	Multi-Criteria Optimisation & Compromise	2014	A compensatory version of TOPSIS that minimises the distance to ideal solution using linear normalisation. Produces a more precise, relevant answer and allows exploring a range of stable criteria weights i.e. such that retain the same ranking as was obtained with original weights	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	Criteria Influence	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation			
VIKOR-F	Fuzzy VIKOR	2015	A VIKOR basis with fuzzy representation of the DM's preference and option performance. Scoring is built as a GDM setting with multiple options	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Point Value	Assignment	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Point Value	Direct Rating	Separation			
VIMDA	Visual MCDM reference Direction Approach	1988	An interactive method for measuring the DM's overall aspiration levels using reference directions. Ranking is derived subjectively using graphical output representation	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	Option Ratings	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Objective	Ratio	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming				
VIP	Variable Interdependent Parameters	2000	A method for preference aggregation using additive value functions for problems with imprecise decision information. Involves progressive down-selection of the alternatives using tolerance measures	1	Ranking	Intervals	Option Ratings	Both	Reasonable	≤ 25	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Reference	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming				
WASPAS	Weighted Aggregated Sum Product Assessment	2012	Represents a combination of WPM and WSM with adjustable bias towards one of the aggregation approaches (multiplicative or additive), if preferred	8	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Point Value	Assignment	Interacting	Flat only	Unlimited	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Functional			
WASPAS-G	Grey WASPAS	2015	An extension to the WASPAS method with Grey numbers for dealing with imprecise, undefined, or immeasurable decision information	1	Ranking	Point Values	Both	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Unlimited	Pre-determined	Interval	Assignment	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Nominal	Interval	Direct Rating	Functional			
WEIBRA	Weight Balancing Indicator Ranks	2014	A high-precision method for optimising criteria weights through an iterative procedure until the approximate distribution of weights is identified, based on the initial ranking of alternatives performed with experts' criteria weights	1	Ranking	Point Values	N/A	N/A	Heavy	≤ 25	Weighted	Objective	Order	Options-based	Independent	Flat only	≤ 25	Measurable	Point Value	Direct Rating	Programming				
WISDOM	Weightless Incremental Selection, Decision, and Ordering Method	2007	A very simple, spreadsheet-based method for deriving option performance Scoring from pairwise comparison information that uses qualitative gradations. The aggregation function is hidden from the user	1	Ranking	Order	N/A	N/A	Light	Unlimited	Weighted	Subjective	Ratio	Comparison	Comparison	Independent	Flat only	Unlimited	Any	Order	Comparison	Functional			
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