

Business Performance Management

Analytic Hierarchy Process

- Multi Criteria decision making method
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Analytic Hierarchy Process (AHP)

Deriving ratio scales from paired comparisons.

Allows some small inconsistency in judgment.

Input:

Actual measurement
Subjective opinion



price, weight etc.
satisfaction feelings,
preferences



Output:

Ratio scales
Consistency index

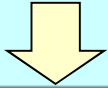


from Eigen vectors
from Eigen value

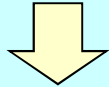
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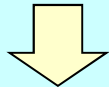
Step 1: Define Objective



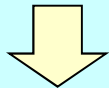
Step 2: Structure elements in criteria, sub-criteria, alternatives etc.



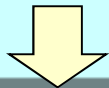
Step 3: Make a pair wise comparison of elements in each group



Step 4: Calculate weighting and consistency ratio



Step 5: Evaluate alternatives according weighting



Get ranking

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Analytic Hierarchy Process – Example

Objective:

Buy a gadget (smart phone, MP3 player...)

Criteria:

Color

Pink, blue, green, black, red

Memory

8 MB, 16 MB, 32 MB, 64 MB

Delivery

Immediate, 5 days, 4 weeks

Models:

(Alternatives)

1

Pink, 32 MB, immediate, 120\$

2

Blue, 16 MB, immediate, 120\$

3

Black, 32 MB, 1 week, 150\$

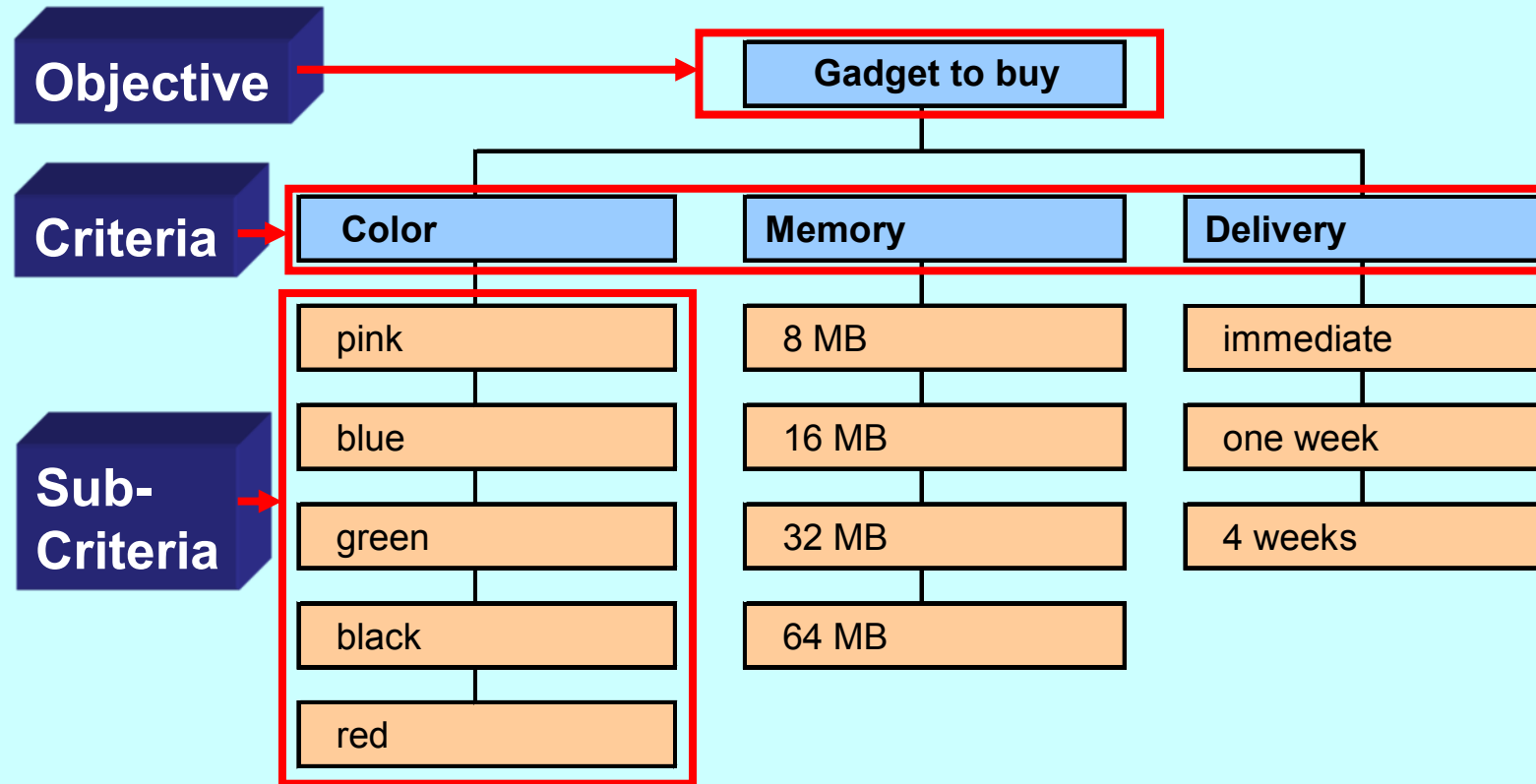
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Red, 64 MB, 4 weeks, 150\$

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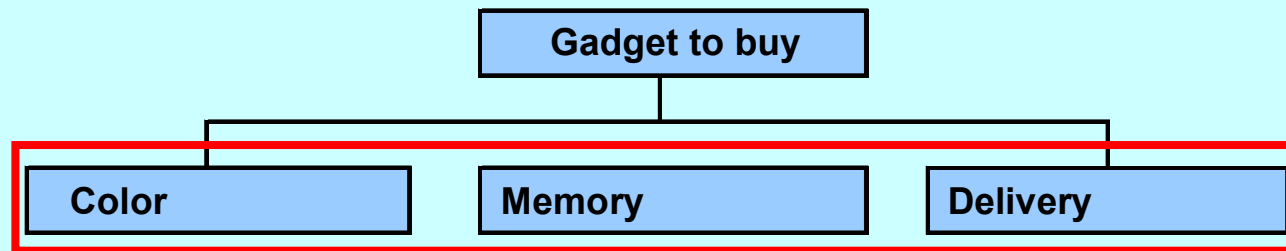
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Compare all elements **pair wise** with respect to the objective



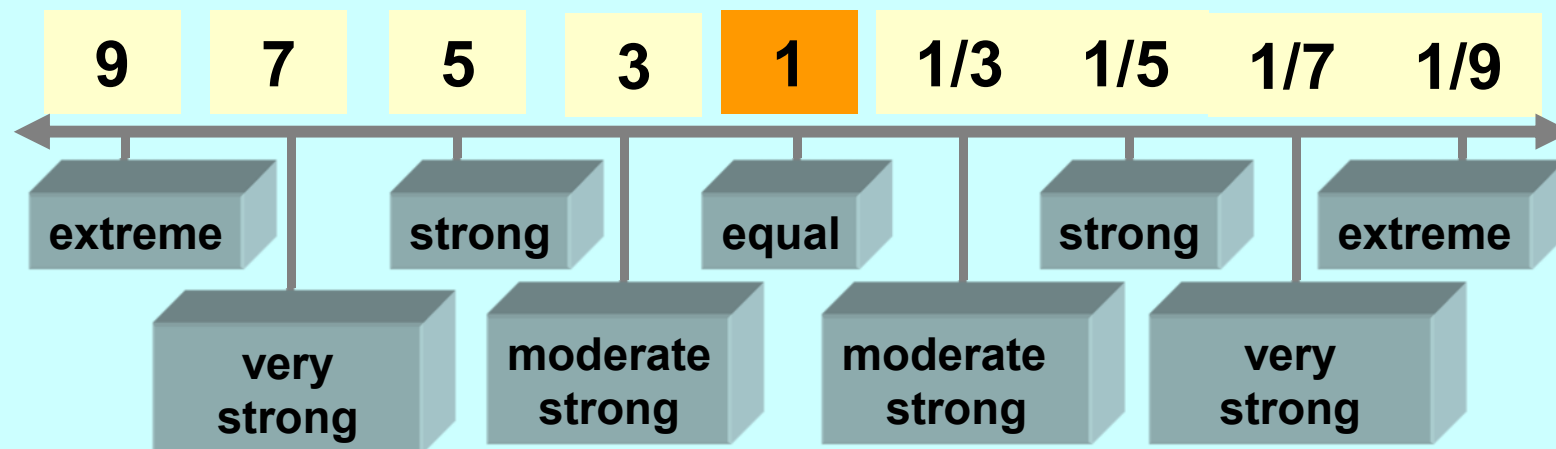
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Scale:



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Scale:

Intensity of importance	Definition	Explanation
1	Equal importance	Two elements contribute equally to the objective
3	Moderate importance	Experience and judgment slightly favor one element over another
5	Strong Importance	Experience and judgment strongly favor one element over another
7	Very strong importance	One element is favored very strongly over another, its dominance is demonstrated in practice
9	Extreme importance	The evidence favoring one element over another is of the highest possible order of affirmation

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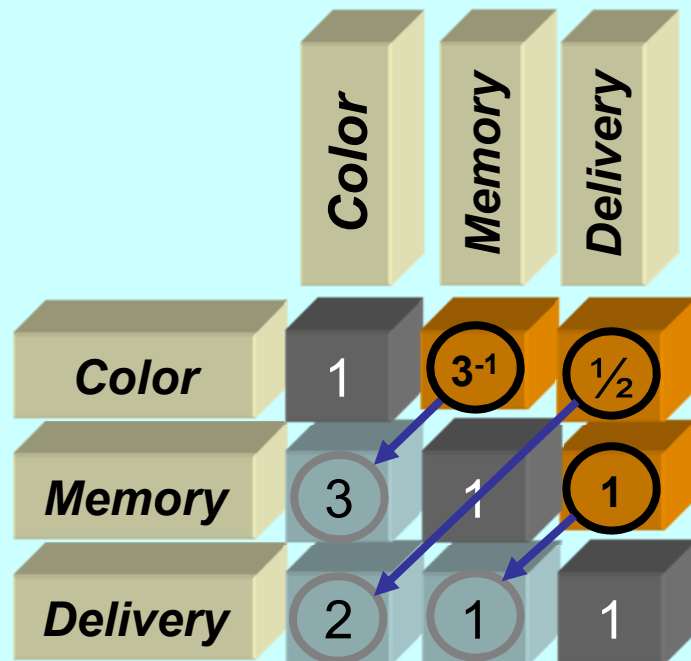
$$\frac{n^2 - n}{2}$$

$n = 3$ results in 3 comparisons

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Arrange the result in a matrix



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Arrange the result in a matrix

	Color	Memory	Delivery
Color	1	3^{-1}	$\frac{1}{2}$
Memory	3	1	1
Delivery	2	1	1

and compute the normalized principal Eigen vector of the matrix

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Find the Eigen vector of the matrix

Matrix **N** for $n (=3)$ criteria

$$\mathbf{N} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{12}^{-1} & 1 & a_{23} \\ a_{13}^{-1} & a_{23}^{-1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sum of columns

$$S_{C1} \quad S_{C2} \quad S_{C3}$$

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Normalize and calculate first normalized principal Eigen vector \mathbf{x}_1

$$|\mathbf{N}| = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{12}^{-1} & 1 & a_{23} \\ a_{13}^{-1} & a_{23}^{-1} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sum \text{row}_1}{n} \\ \frac{\sum \text{row}_2}{n} \\ \frac{\sum \text{row}_3}{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Square normalized Matrix $|\mathbf{N}|$ and calculate next iteration of Eigen vector until difference $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k$ is neglect able

$$\mathbf{x}_2 \rightarrow |\mathbf{N}|^2$$

Find the Eigen vevtor of the matrix

Calculate largest Eigen value λ

$$\lambda = S_{C1} \cdot x_1 + S_{C2} \cdot x_2 + S_{C3} \cdot x_3$$

Calculate Consistency Index

$$CI = \frac{\lambda - n}{n - 1}$$

Verify Consistency Ratio < 10%

$$CR = \frac{CI}{RI}$$

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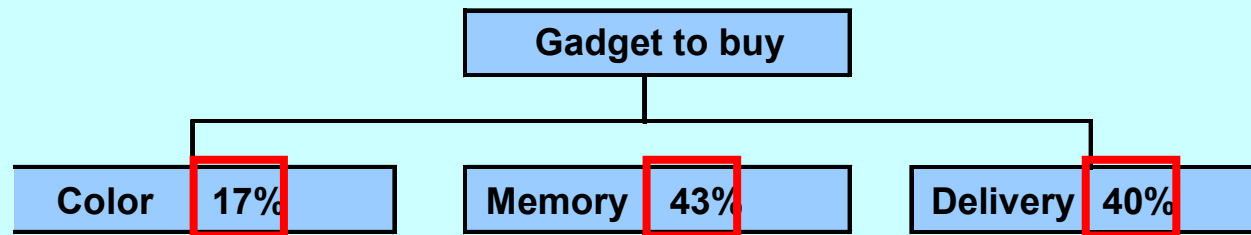
Random Index RI

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
RI	0,00	0,00	0,58	0,90	1,12	1,24	1,32	1,41	1,45	1,49

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Result:

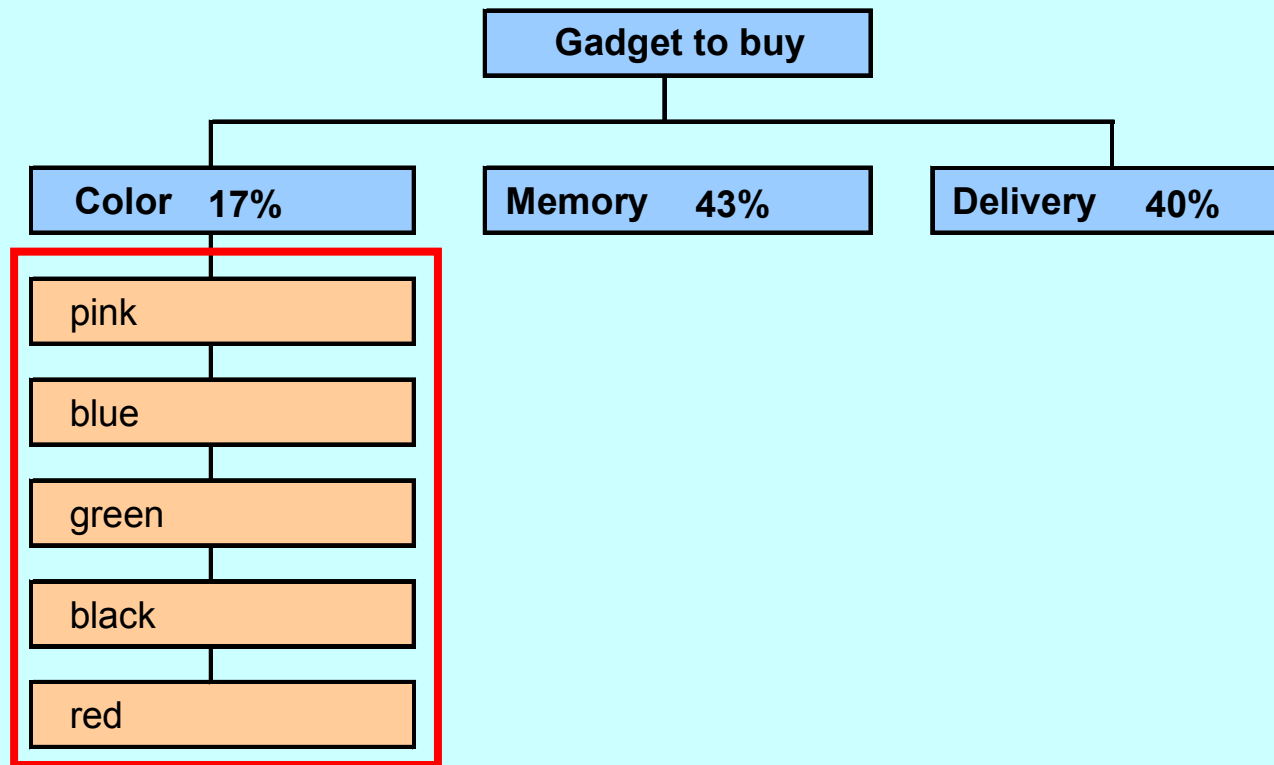


Criteria:	Weight:	Rank:
Color	17%	3
Memory	43%	1
Delivery	40%	2

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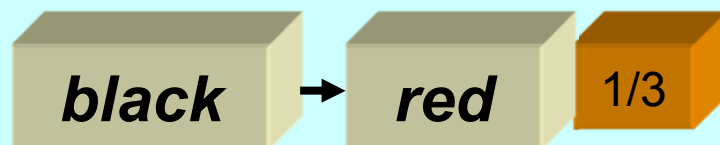
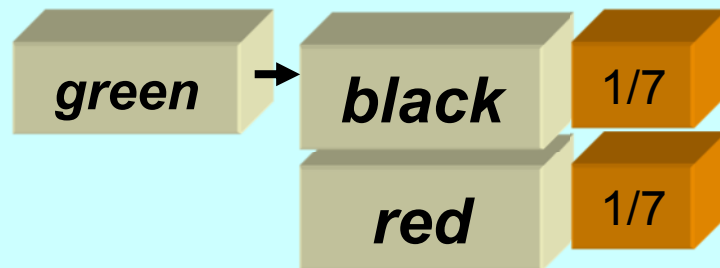
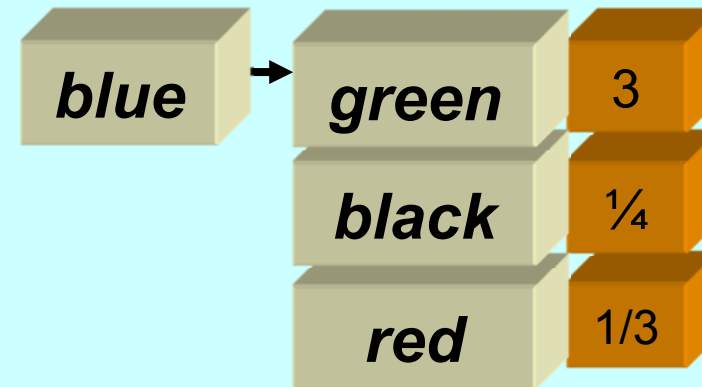
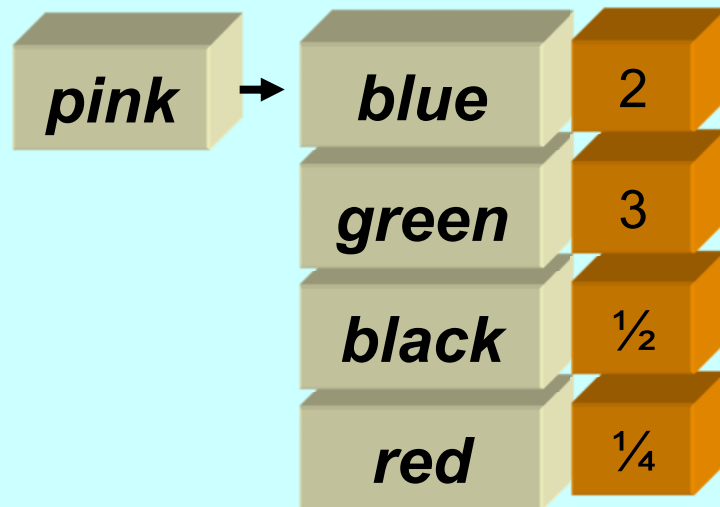
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Compare all elements **pair wise** with respect to the objective



$n = 5$ results in 10 comparisons

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Arrange the result in a matrix

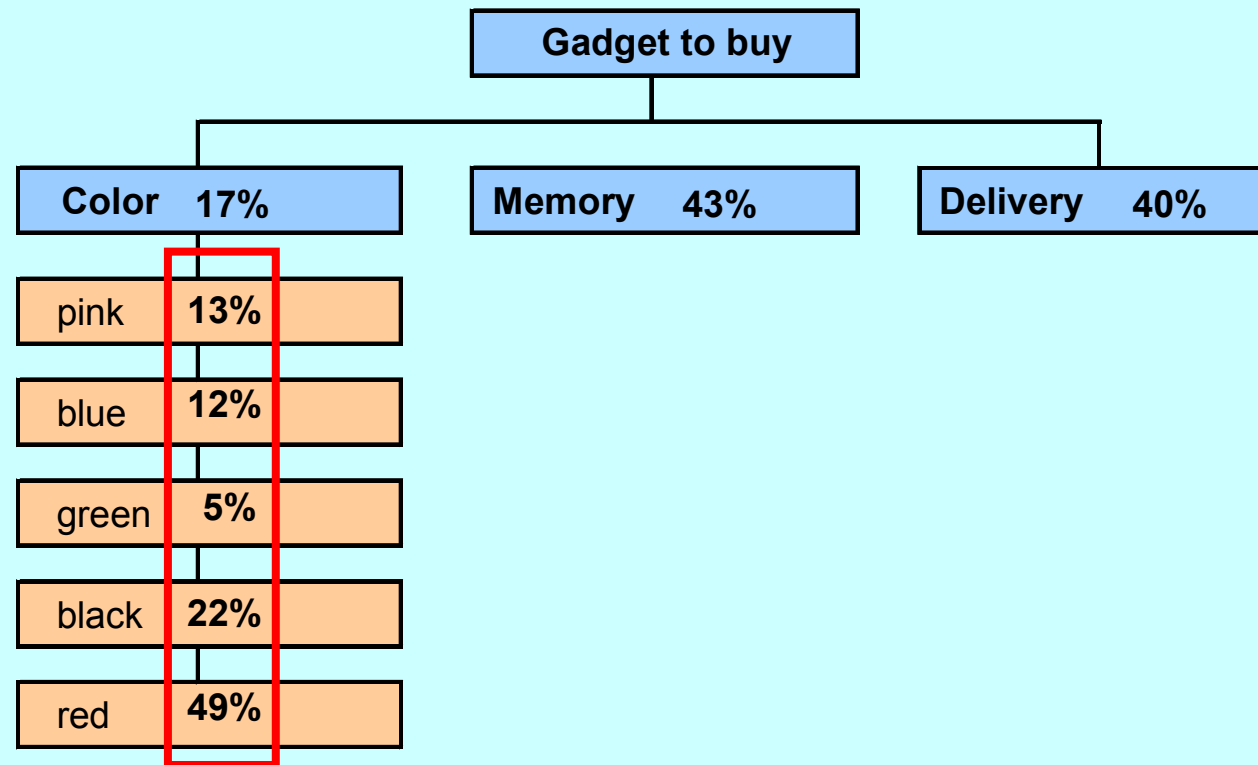
	<i>pink</i>	<i>blue</i>	<i>green</i>	<i>black</i>	<i>red</i>
<i>pink</i>	1	2	3	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
<i>blue</i>	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	3	$\frac{1}{4}$	3^{-1}
<i>green</i>	3^{-1}	3^{-1}	1	7^{-1}	7^{-1}
<i>black</i>	2	4	7	1	3^{-1}
<i>red</i>	4	3	7	3	1

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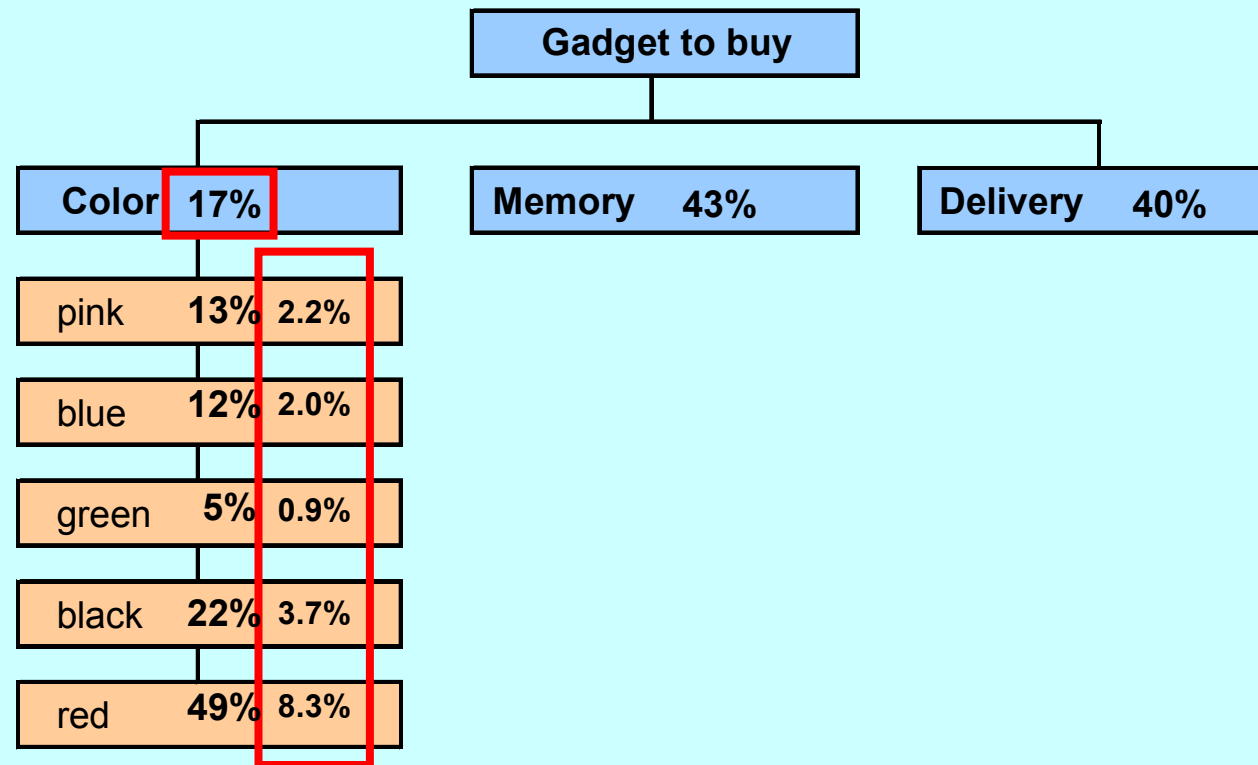
Result:



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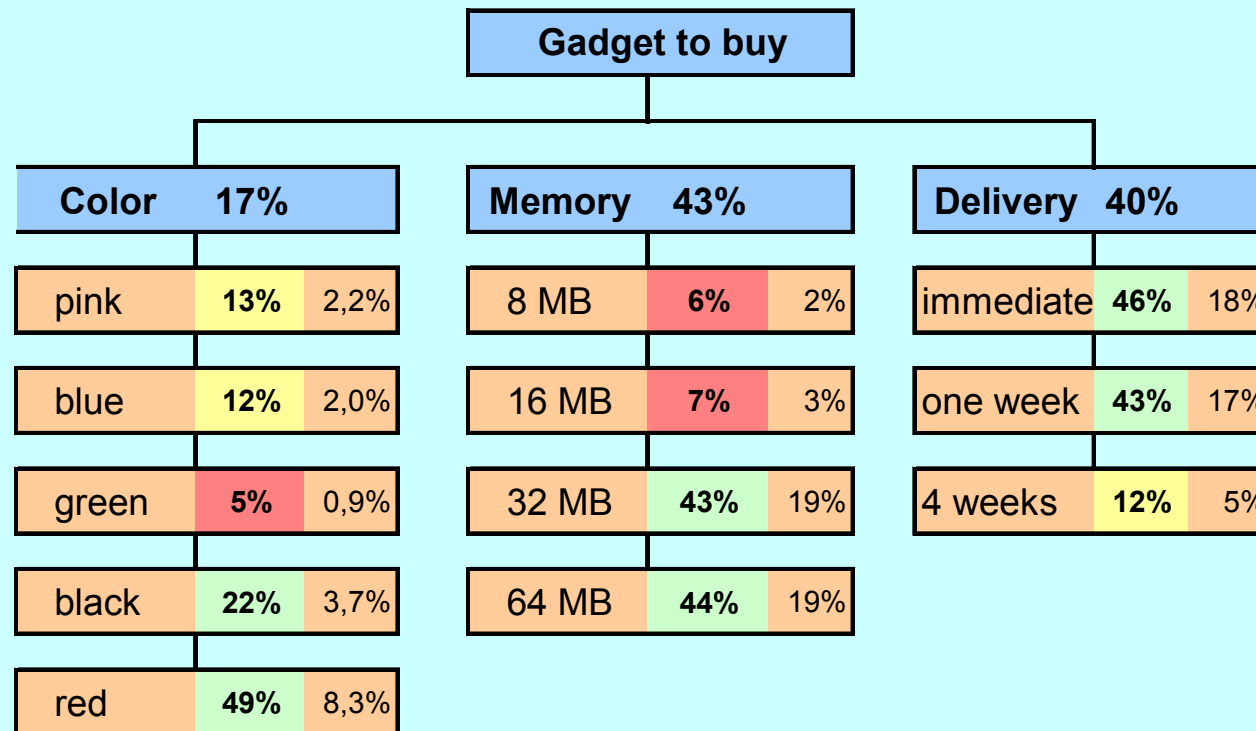
Weight sub-criteria according weights of main-criteria



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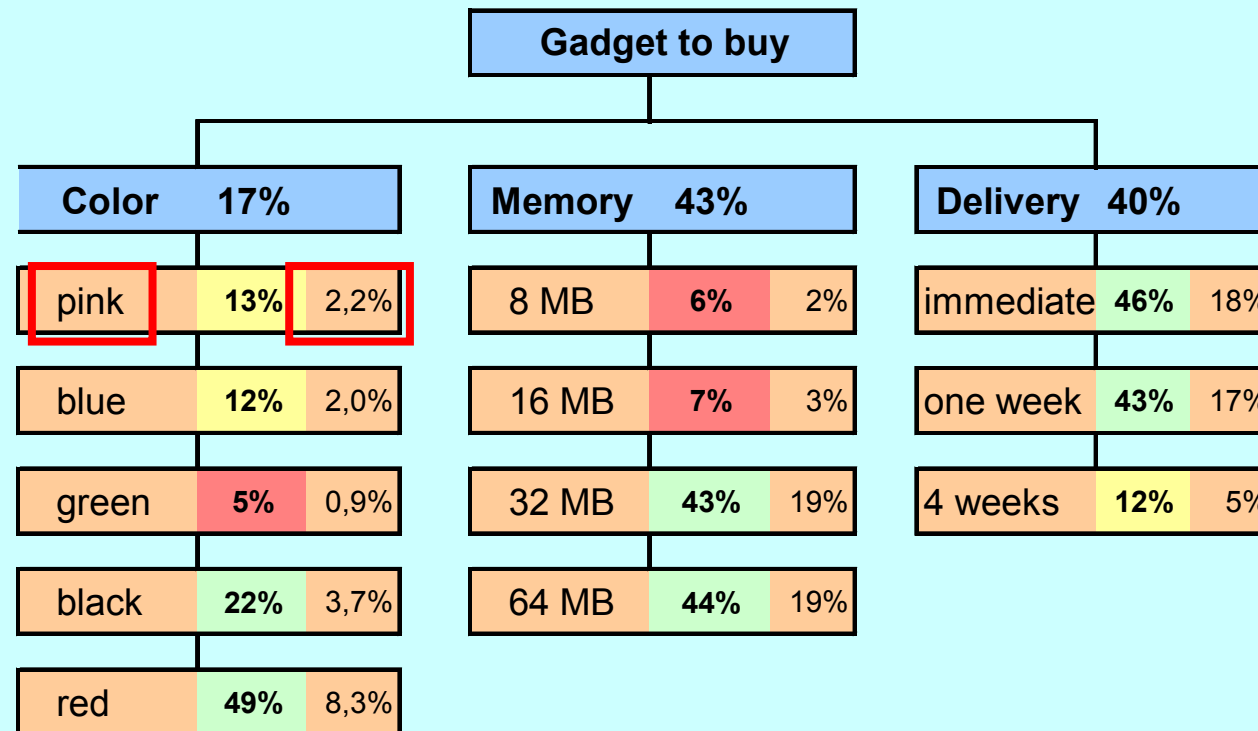
Complete Result:



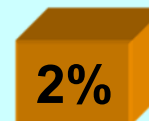
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Evaluate alternatives

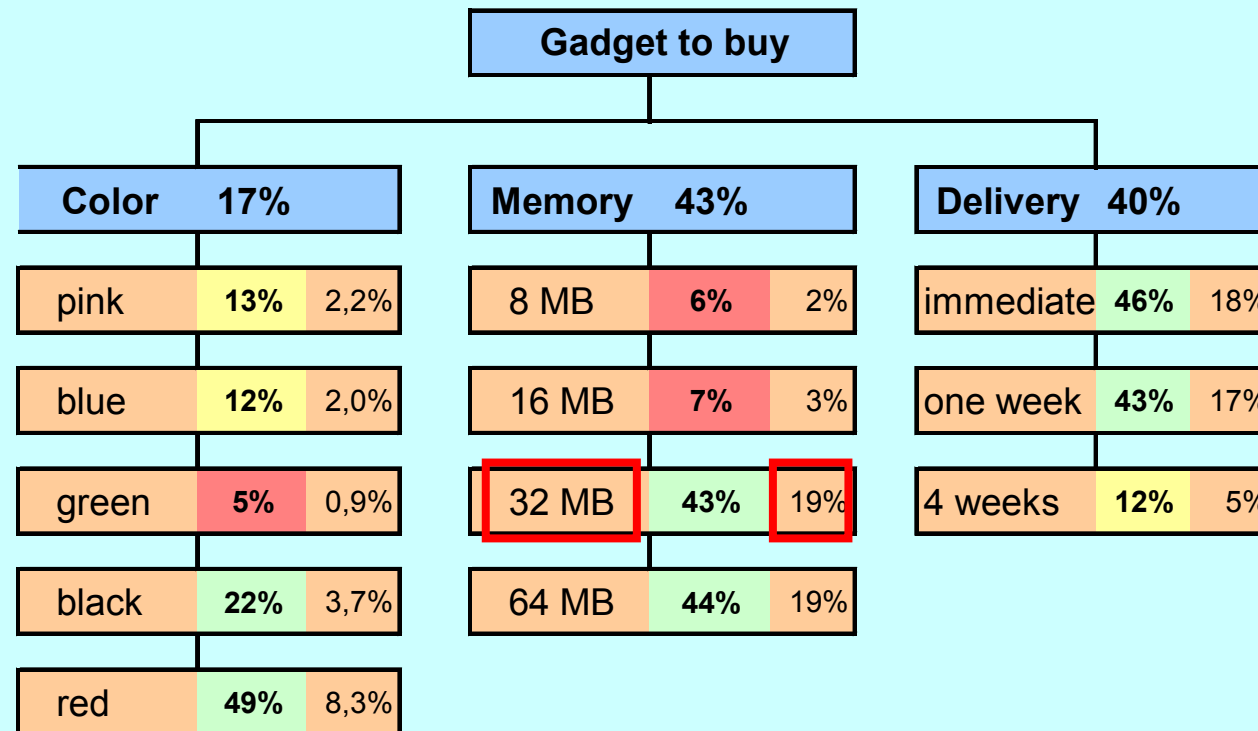


Alternatives	Benefit
Model 1 Pink 32 MB, immediate	39%
Model 2 Blue, 16 MB, immediate	23%
Model 3 Black, 32 MB, 1 week	40%
Model 4 Red, 64 MB, 4 weeks	32%



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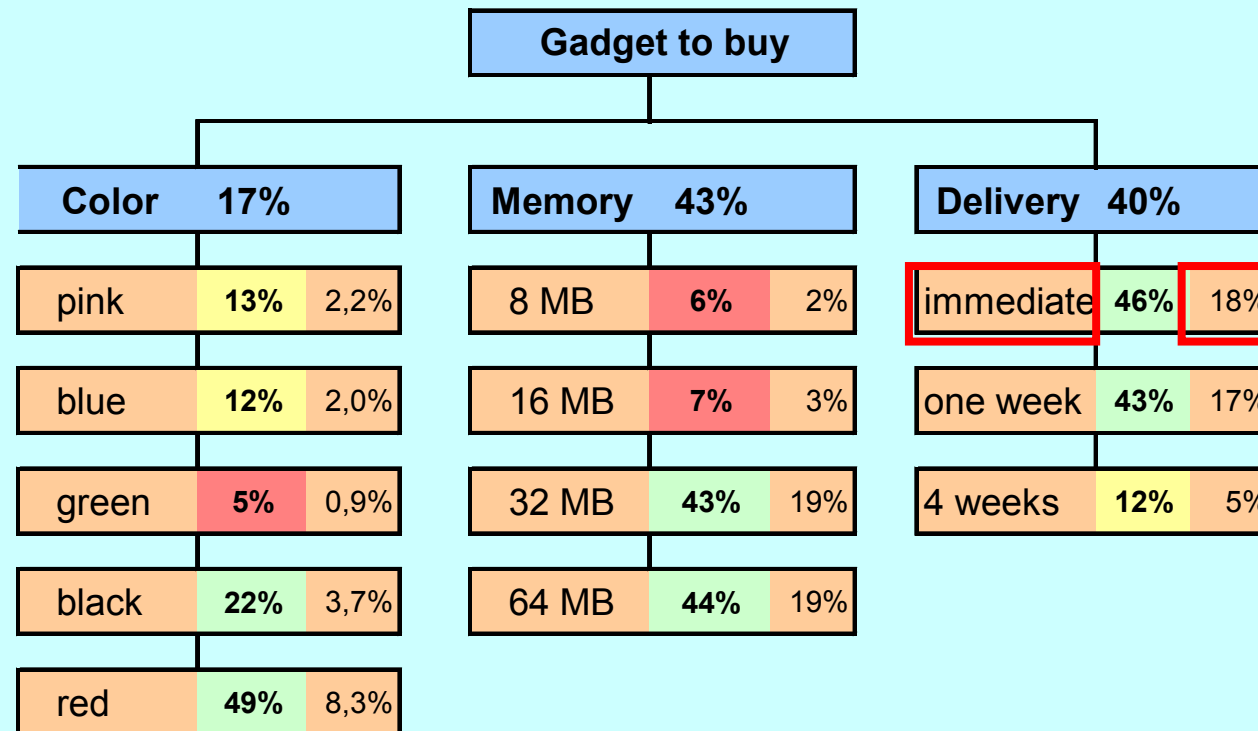


Alternatives	Benefit
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Model 4 Red, 64 MB, 4 weeks	32%

2% + 19%

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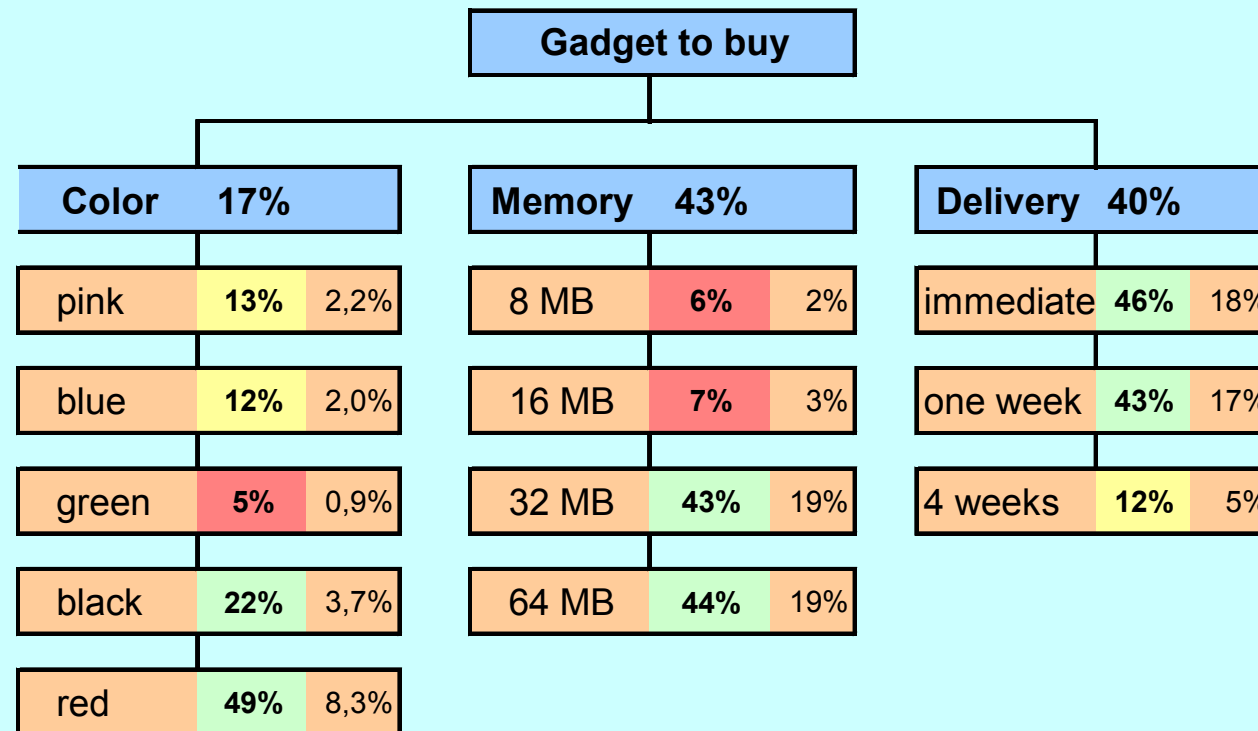


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Model 1 Pink, 32 MB, immediate	39%
Model 2 Blue, 16 MB, immediate	23%
Model 3 Black, 32 MB, 1 week	40%
Model 4 Red, 64 MB, 4 weeks	32%

2% + 19% + 18%

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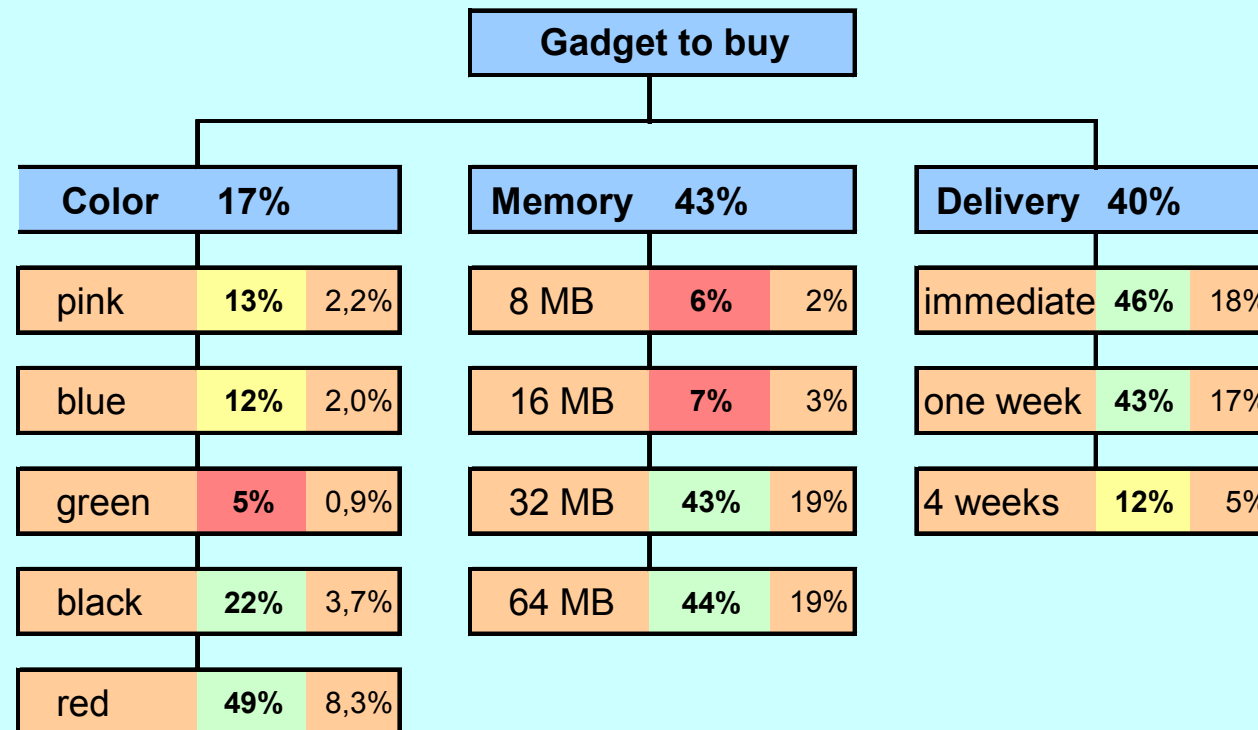


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$$2\% + 19\% + 18\% = 39\%$$

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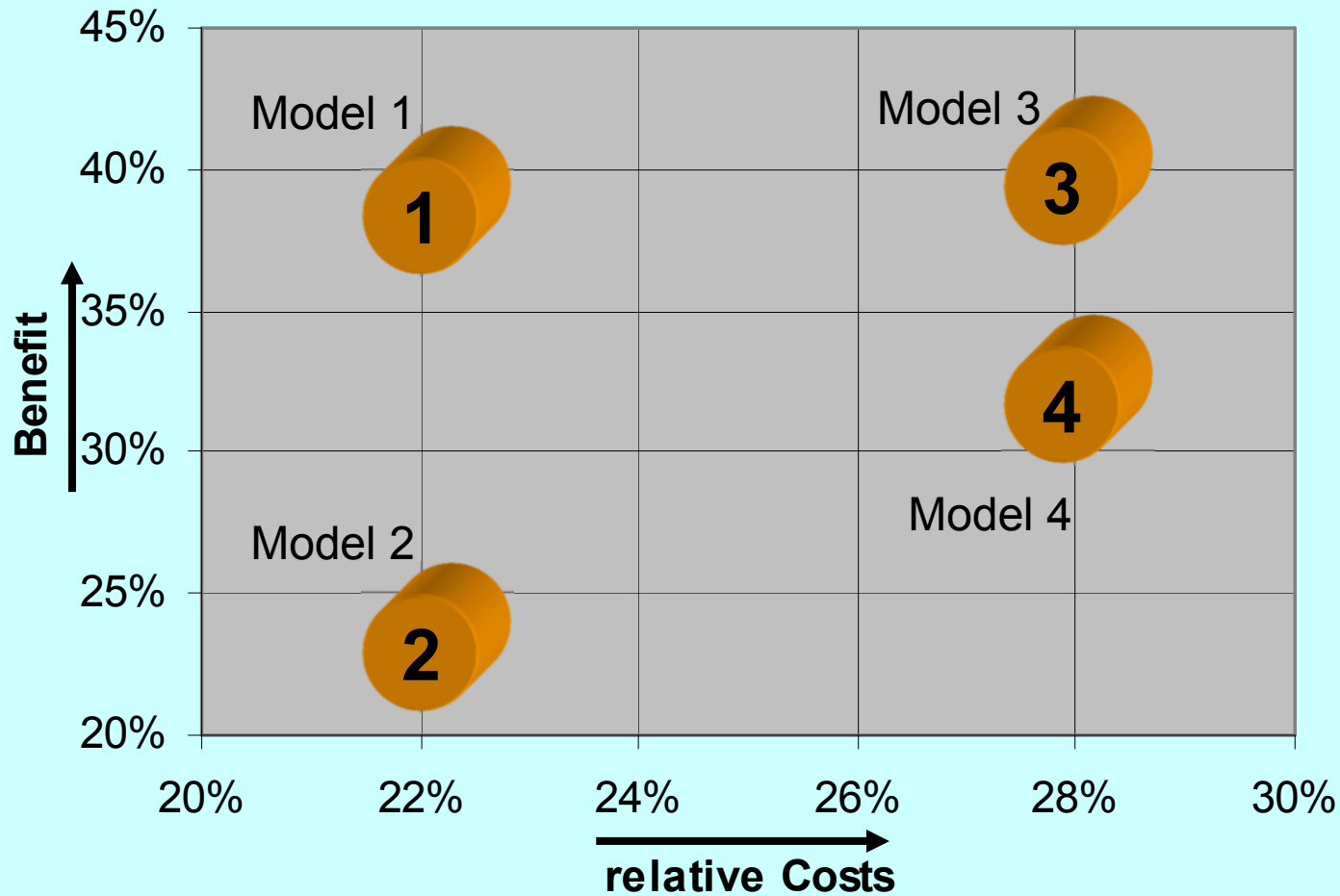
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Model 3 has the highest ranking

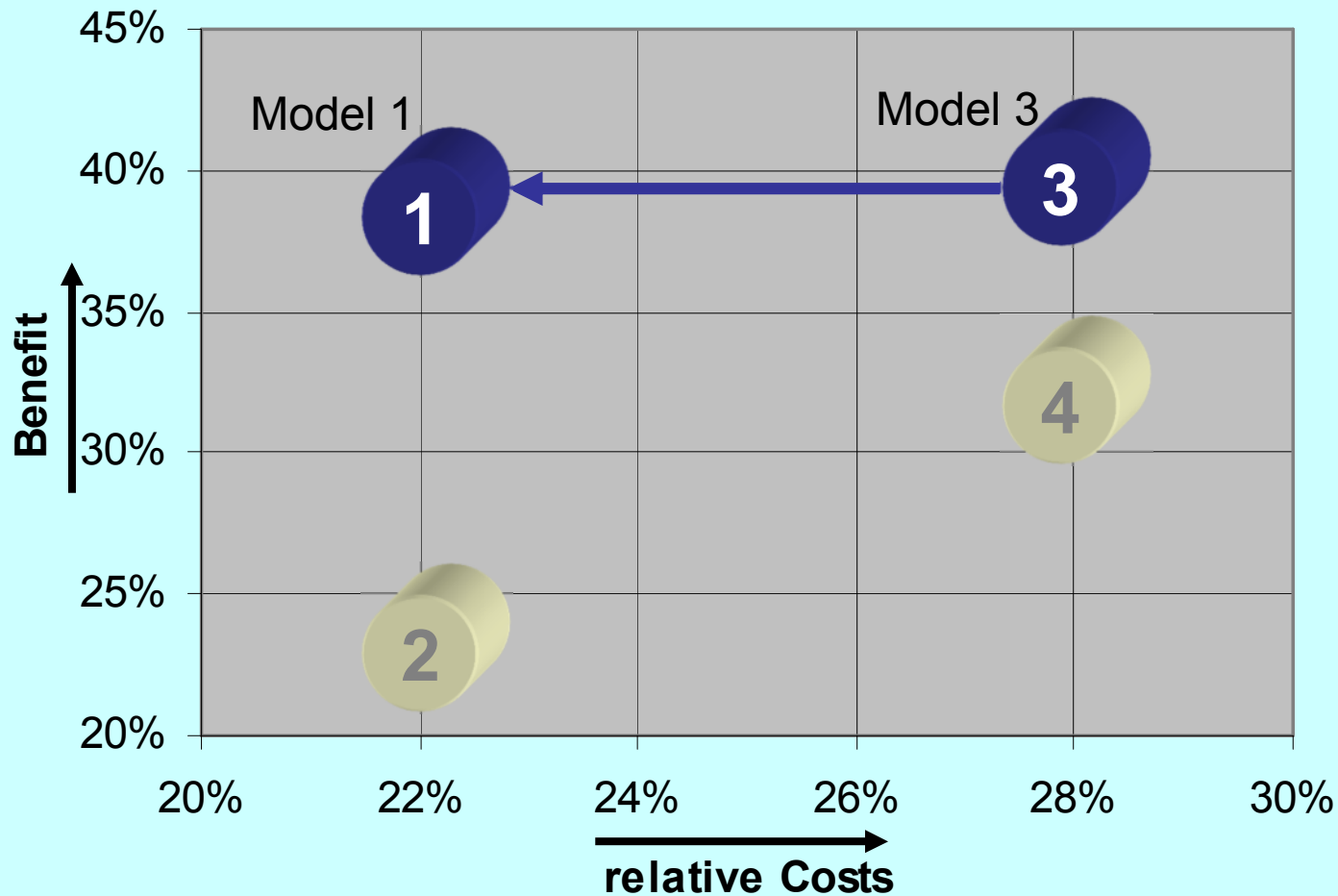
AHP – cost vs. benefit



Alternatives	Benefit	Cost \$	Cost (norm)
Model 1 Pink, 32 MB, immediate	39%	120	22%
Model 2 Blue, 16 MB, immediate	23%	120	22%
Model 3 Black, 32 MB, 1 week	40%	150	28%
Model 4 Red, 64 MB, 4 weeks	32%	150	28%
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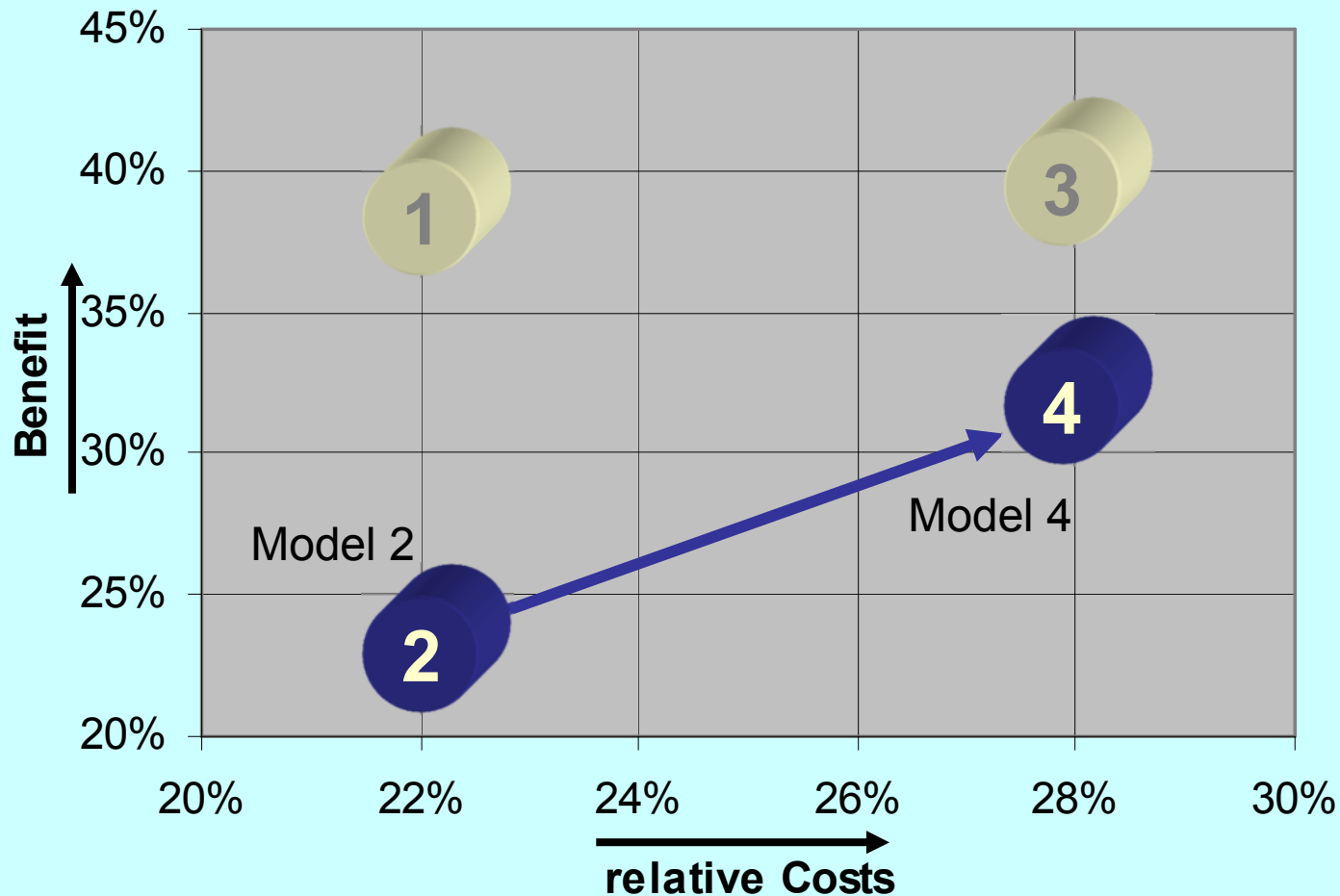
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AHP – cost vs. benefit



Model 3 has similar benefits compared to **model 1**, but higher costs. Probably you would go for model 1 with immediate delivery and lower price

AHP – cost vs. benefit



Model 4 has significant higher benefits than **model 2**. Probably you would go for model 4 accepting longer delivery and higher price

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Applications:

Evaluation of product features

Cost-Benefit Analysis

Strategy development

Selection of Key Performance Indicators

Weighting of objectives in MBOs

Decision making with multiple inputs from different stakeholders ...

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