

Decision support system for football player's position with tsukamoto fuzzy inference system

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Abstract. Nowadays, football is one of the most famous sports in the world. Many football clubs and football academies have been established in Indonesia. In football academy, each player will be trained and selected to get the best position in the team formation. In fact, each player has a different ability and skill. If a player gets a correct position, he can open the opportunity for his team to win a competition. This condition absolutely gives a good impact for the team. However, it will be a serious problem if a player plays in an incorrect position. The player's best position can be decided by his own ability and skill. This study proposes the selection model of player's position by understanding a player's speed, stamina, strength, and other skills that covering, shooting, passing, dribble, and header with Tsukamoto Fuzzy Inference System. A player may have the following positions: central forward, midfielder, winger, goal keeper. In evaluation phase, this model exactly shows 52.17% accurate value. This means that the model decreases the misplacement of player's position. It is recommended for further study to make some additional criteria such as player's emotion, attitude, etc in order to increase accurate.

1 Introduction

Football is one of the most famous sports in the world. This sport is played by millions of people and also various ages, both men, women, children, young and adult. Currently, many football academies are established in Indonesia with the aim to build young talents to become professional players in the country and abroad [1-4].

However, many football academics forget that the real achievement is the overall formation of players, techniques (how to do things), tactics (understanding the game or understanding of why to do something), physically and mentally (forging a positive and strong character that is so important both for the life of the player as a whole and for his development as a football player). Assessment of the characteristics or specifications of a player can be seen how and the physical strength (speed and agility, endurance,), (technique, passing and receiving, shooting, ball control and turning) ball possession and transition [5,6].

The utilization of information technology in the world of football, especially in the process of selecting players and in the process of placing the player's position to match the characters and criteria of players who are expected to be not optimal and not computerized. In fact, in the process of player settlement and player placement selection is still done manually using paper form in the judgment of players who are wasting time and place [7].

According to observation, many coaches have difficulty determining the position of players for their potential players, because there are still many coaches who judge a player not objectively. A coach uses only their instinct to assess a player. For examples, a player that a

good defender positioned as a striker, or otherwise a supposedly a striker but positioned as a defender so that the placement is not in accordance with skill or criteria and the ability of a player [4].

The purpose of this work is to design decision support system with tsukamoto fuzzy inference system to assist coach in order to decide best player's position. This method is chosen because this method determines the weight value for each attribute, followed by a ranking process that will select the best alternative from a number of alternatives. This method allows each rule to be represented using fuzzy sets, with a monotonous membership function in order to determine the output value of a result is searched by changing the input (a fuzzy set obtained from the composition of fuzzy rules) into a number in the fuzzy set domain. This method also called the defuzzification method (affirmation). The defuzzification method used in the Tsukamoto method is the central average defuzzification method (Center Average Defuzzyfier) [5].

The development method implemented in this work is the RUP (rational unified process) used in the application using the Prototype model where this method is to allow the user to be able to make changes.

2 Literature Review

2.1 Decision support system

Technological devices are designed to enhance a quality of human's life [8], one of those which are enable efficiency and effectiveness in business process within a field of

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decision making is information systems [9]. This systems is a combination of information technology utilizations and human activity upon a set of agreed procedures, IS has a high level of flexibilities to develop and scalable [10], Decision Support System (DSS) is generally known as a branch of IS applications. Refers to several research, IS has a high capability in decision making, the system has an accurate data accessibility and efficient run-time [11,12], high accuracy [13,14], and to support a proper decision [15,16], low cost [17], extended accessibility [18], intensify user knowledge [19,20], increase productivity [21][15], provide a better data and information [22,23], and in used as data storage [24,25].

Decision Support System can be defined as a computer-based system consisting of 3 (three) interacting components:

- a. Language system (mechanism to provide communication between users and other DSS components)
- b. System knowledge (repository knowledge domain problem existing on DSS either as data or as procedure),
- c. the processing system (the relationship between two other components, consisting of one or more manipulation capabilities of common problems needed for decision making) [26].

The concepts given by the definition are very important to understand the relationship between DSS and knowledge. Decision Support System includes 4 main components (subsystem), namely data management, model management, user interface and knowledge-based management [26,27].

A system can be regarded as a decision support system if it meets the requirements as follows: requires hardware, requires software, requires human (designer and user), designed to support a decision-making, must be able to assist decision makers at each decision level, and Emphasize unstructured or semi-structured issues [27].

2.2 Fuzzy logic

Fuzzy logic is one of the components of soft computing. Fuzzy logic was first introduced by prof. Lotfi A. Zadeh in 1965. The basis of fuzzy logic is the theory of the fuzzy set. In the fuzzy set theory, the role of membership degree as a determinant of the existence of elements in a set is very important. The membership value or membership degree or membership function is the main characteristic and reasoning with that logic [28,29].

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Decision support systems also need information technology, this is because of the era of globalization, which requires a company to move quickly in taking a decision & action with reference to the solution given by

Tsukamoto fuzzy inference system method in helping to make decisions. One of them is decision making in giving reward which is proper for waiter who give service on time according to customer wishes at a restaurant. Fuzzy logic can be considered as a black box that relates between the input space to the output space [30,29].

2.3 Tsukamoto fuzzy inference system

Tsukamoto's method is an extension of monotonous reasoning, in Tsukamoto's Method, every consequence of the IF-Then rule must be represented by a fuzzy set with a monotonous köping function. As a result, the inference output of each rule is given explicitly based on the predicate. The end result is obtained by using weighted averages [28,31,32]. This method mainly implemented in several field as follow: promotion system, multimedia, game, education, etc. [21,33–35].

This method, each rule is represented using fuzzy sets, with a monotonous membership function. To determine the output value of crisp / firm result (Z) is searched by changing the input (a fuzzy set obtained from the fuzzy rule composition) into a number in the fuzzy set domain. This method is called the defuzzification method (affirmation). The defuzzification method used in the Tsukamoto method is the central average defuzzification method (Center Average Defuzzyfier) [28].

Conjunction of Tsukamoto fuzzy

$$\mu A \wedge B = \mu A(x) \cap \mu B(y) = \min(\mu A(x), \mu B(y)) \quad (1)$$

Disjunction of tsukamoto fuzzy

$$\mu A \vee B = \mu A(x) \cup \mu B(y) = \max(\mu A(x), \mu B(y)) \quad (2)$$

In the Tsukamoto method, the implications of each rule are in the form of "cause" implications / Input-Output Implications. Example: Suppose there are two input variables Var-1 (x) & Var-2 (x), as well as output variables Var-3 (z), where Var-1 is divided into 2 sets ie A1 & A2. Var-2 is divided into 2 sets B1 & B2, Var-3 is divided into 2 sets ie C1 & C2 (C1 & C2 must be monotone) [36,31,28,37].

$$[R1] \text{ IF } (x \text{ is } A1) \text{ and } (y \text{ is } B2) \text{ THEN } (z \text{ is } C1) \quad (3)$$

$$[R2] \text{ IF } (x \text{ is } A2) \text{ and } (y \text{ is } B1) \text{ THEN } (z \text{ is } C2) \quad (4)$$

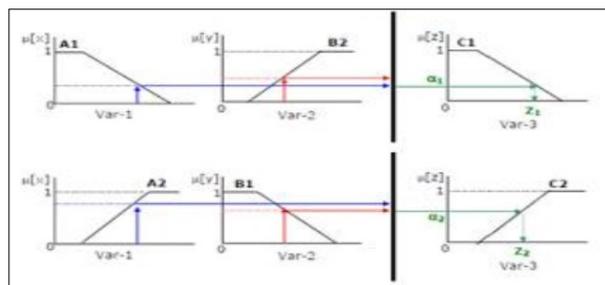


Fig. 1. Tsukamoto Fuzzy.

3 Experiments

3.1 Inception

According to observation phase, we found a coach that have less precise in determining the ideal position of the player because it only relies on the instincts of the coach and the ego of his players and there are still coaches who have not been able to assess the player objectively. Manual data processing is not effective enough because of the dynamic development of the player so it requires an application can process the data into an information that can help the coach in the decision-making process.

3.2 Elaboration

According to real football, this work implement several position as follow CF (Central Forward), AMF (Attacking Midfielder), DMF (Defensive Midfielder), WB (Wing Back), WG (Winger), GK (Goal Keeper). Table 1 descibe team assessment with several current position.

Table 1. Team Assessment.

No.	Player	Speed	Stamina	Streight	Shooting	Acceleration	Defence	Passing	Dribble	Current Position
1	S01	84	87	95	56	81	71	83	80	GK
2	S02	73	60	88	45	73	56	65	58	GK
3	S03	80	80	80	90	80	30	80	80	CF
4	S04	90	90	90	95	90	65	95	95	AMF
5	S05	75	70	72	65	65	75	73	63	AMF
6	S06	69	76	90	55	55	82	70	59	CB
7	S07	75	90	74	83	74	85	80	77	DMF
8	S08	53	77	96	53	49	94	75	62	CB
9	S09	82	76	79	55	79	89	81	68	CB
10	S10	61	78	91	48	60	92	70	55	CB

3.2.1 Use case Diagram

The proposed work implement a system with one actor and several use case as follow: entry player, manage ability, manage formation, and show recommendation that describe in detail on fig. 2.

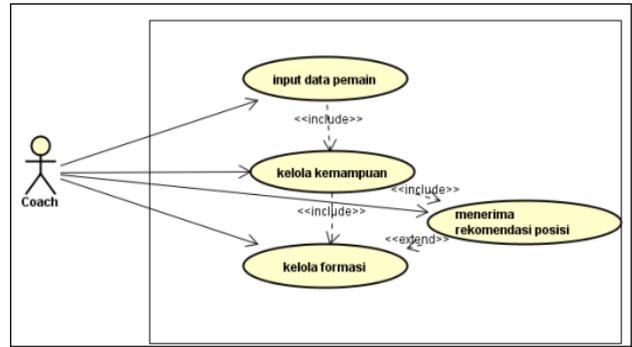


Fig. 2. Use Case Diagram.

3.2.2 Class Diagram

This app developed by object oriented programming. There are several class that implemented as follow: player, formation, ability, etc technically describe in fig. 3.

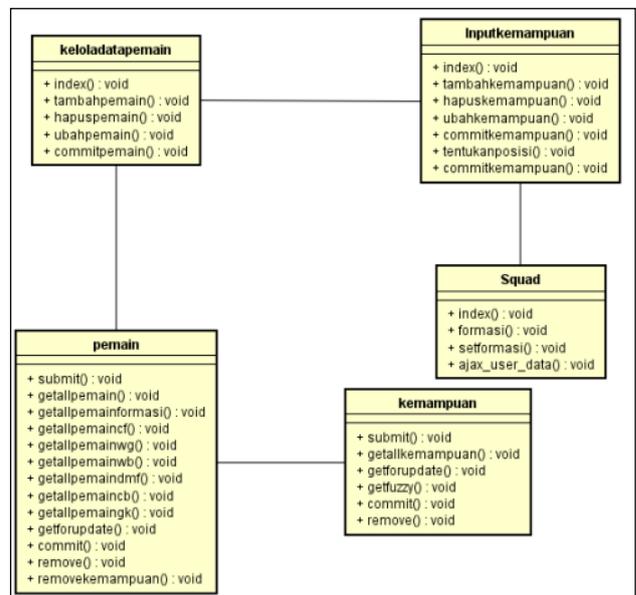


Fig. 3. Class Diagram.

3.2.3 Physical Data Model

In data model, this app using two main table (player and ability). Fig. 4 describe that a relationship between player and ability. One player may have one or more ability set. Before training, a player's ability assessed and stored and also after training and several time later. Therefore the relation between player and ability are one to many, in detail one for plyaer and many for ability.

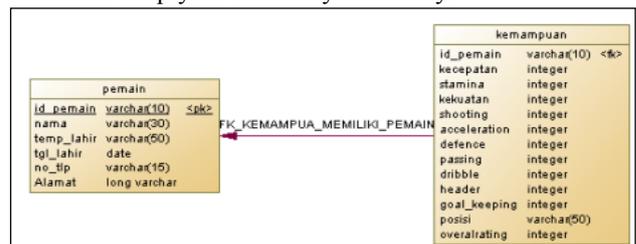


Fig. 4. Physical Data Model.

3.3 Construction

This app constructed as a web based application with applied responsive webpage. Fig. 5 a and b describe mockup preview of the app. Fig. 5a describe the main menu and fig. 5b describe formation menu.

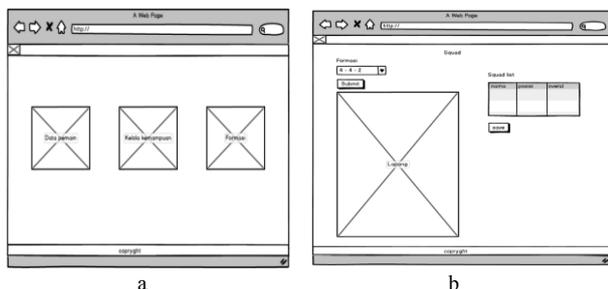


Fig. 5. Mockup of App.

Fig 6. describe user interface of main menu. There are several menu show in main menu such as player, ability, and formation.



Fig. 6. User interface of main menu

Fig. 7 describe user interface of formation menu. In this menu, coach can choose several formations as follow: 3-5-2, 4-4-2, 4-5-1, etc with several modification. This menu show suggest formation with best player position of the current team's ability.

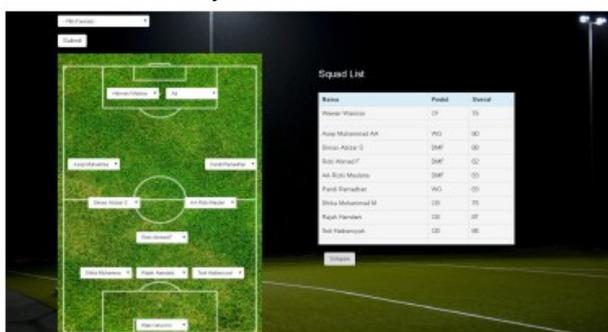


Fig. 7. Formation view of app.

4 Result and Discussion

This model was implement in a football academy in Indonesia. According to our observation, 12 of 23 or exactly 52.17% the player was working properly in decided position. Table 2 describe 5 samples of evaluation summary. Best position decided by senior coach in academy and recommended position decided by app.

Table 2. Evaluation Summary.

No.	Player	Best Position	Recommended Position
1	T01	GK	GK
2	T02	GK	AMF
3	T03	AMF	AMF
4	T04	WG	WG
5	T05	DMF	AMF

5 Conclusion

In evaluation phase, this model exactly shows 52.17% accuracy value. This means that the model decreases the misplacement of player's position. However, this model has not worked optimally. It is recommended for further study to make some additional criteria such as player's emotion, attitude, etc in order to improve accuracy.

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