The effect of the presence of e-commerce on consumer purchasing decisions

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ABSTRACT

In this study, researchers examined how consumer decisions on purchases in e-commerce are particularly influenced by trust, attitudes and the ease of new shopping places. The data collection research was conducted using a questionnaire with 130 consumer respondents who had bought at e-commerce which would later be processed by Amos' Structural Equation Modeling (SEM). The study used four variables, thirteen dimensions and twenty-six indicators. The results showed that trust, convenience and attitudes influenced consumer decisions in buying e-commerce. The results also showed that trust had the greatest and most significant influence on consumer decisions to buy in e-commerce. So, it can be said that consumers buy because it is based on a sense of already trusting an e-commerce to make e-commerce crowded and buyers need to pay attention to improving their taste.

1. Introduction

In the current development era, consumer decisions can change due to new things (Suleman, 2018), because purchasing decisions are influenced by many things, one of which is the service of a place (Suleman, 2014), here it is necessary to understand that consumers want to get more things, good. Both in terms of the benefits they get shopping such as those offered in e-commerce (Suleman et al., 2019), there are many positive values that consumers can get when they shop at this new place. Where new and old competition occurs (Suleman et al., 2019). The basis of a purchase decision is trust (Suleman, Ali, et al., 2019). Consumers need to feel safe when shopping in e-commerce, of course this feeling is expected to be higher because consumers need to think about how their money is not lost (Suleman et al., 2019). Consumers need trust in a new place when they decide to make transactions (Suleman et al., 2020). Another factor that affects is the ease of shopping, it cannot be denied that consumers will shop where they feel the easiest (Suleman, Ali, et al., 2020b). Where, of course, certain generations of consumers will easily transact in e-commerce because it is done in an easy way for them where other consumers also consider offline shopping easier (Suleman, Ali, et al., 2020c; Rusiyati et al., 2021). So this cannot be measured with certainty but can be compared with the efforts of how we see e-commerce now that e-commerce makes shopping easier by using technology that is easy to use for ordinary people. The two factors above will also influence consumer decisions more if the attitude is added to be a big influence in the decision. Consumers certainly have their own personal attitudes before deciding (Suleman, Ali et al., 2020d). Where a positive attitude is an important basis because consumer perceptions of where to shop can form the basis of decisions. Although this attitude is relative to each consumer. Consumers who feel that they have made transactions in e-commerce and get goods as expected must have a positive attitude (Suleman et al., 2020). This attitude exists in consumers even though it is a big determinant, but it all depends on each one based on experience, environment, lifestyle and education (Suleman, Ali, et al., 2020c). This attitude has been widely researched and is the material for decision making research (Kotler et al., 2019). In addition, at the end the purchase decision is the most important thing that is the end of the
consumer process that they have gone through from a series of purchasing processes (Kotler & Amstrong, 2016). After various stimuli have been carried out, consumers will choose to shop in e-commerce according to their final choice (Suleman, Ali, et al., 2020a). So that this research will answer how consumer decisions actually occur.

2. Theoretical framework and hypotheses development

The purpose of this research is to describe the direct relationship between easy-of-use trust and attitudes toward consumer decisions. The following is an explanation used in this study to build the following hypothesis.

2.1 Trust

Trust is important and is a proven factor influencing the decision to shop based on several previous studies which state this in the results of their research, among others (Hsu et al., 2014; Al-Debei et al., 2015; Zeba & Ganguli, 2016; Marriott & Williams, 2018; Suleman et al., 2019). For this reason, the role of trust makes e-commerce a place to shop or not so that this can be the basis for determining and hypothesizing. Therefore, the researchers made the first hypothesis in this study as follows:

\[ H_1: \text{Trust has a significant effect on the purchasing decision.} \]

2.2 Easy Of Use

Every time you make a purchase, of course what you will choose is an e-commerce, which in the process is easy in the sense that new consumers can process transactions from ordering goods to payment processing and the ease of monitoring the transaction process, therefore the easier it is to understand and learn, it will make consumers choose to buy in an e-commerce and there are also many studies that state that this convenience is an influence on decisions, including research results, and (Alwafi & Magnadi, 2016; Wahyuningsytas & Widiastuti, 2017; Zolait et al., 2018; Shabrina & Zaki, 2019; Cho & Son, 2019). Sourced from the basis of this research, this convenience can be made a hypothesis in this study so that the researcher makes the second hypothesis in this study as follows:

\[ H_2: \text{Easy of Use has a significant effect on the purchasing decision.} \]

2.3 Attitude

Consumers in themselves have attitudes based on previous beliefs and experiences in e-commerce, therefore an e-commerce that is their choice must have a positive value in consumers. The effect of attitudes on this decision has been widely researched and the results show that attitudes have an effect on consumer decisions in these studies, among others, (Tingchi Liu et al., 2012; Adnan, 2014; Wu & Ke, 2015; Lee, 2016; Indarsin & Ali, 2017; Suleman et al., 2020a). Therefore, the researcher made the third hypothesis in this study as follows:

\[ H_3: \text{Attitude has a significant effect on the purchasing decision.} \]

From the explanation of the hypothesis above, an image of the framework of thought in this study can be made as follows can be seen in Fig. 1 below:

![Fig. 1. Research Framework](image-url)
3. Research methods

3.1 Population and Sample

The population in this study is large and the number is not known with certainty. Therefore, the determination of the sample using a $5 \times$ calculation of the number of indicators as many as 130 respondents (Ferdinand, 2018). The sampling technique used in this study was quota sampling where the sample was. In this study using 4 variables, 13 dimensions and 26 indicators. Where each indicator becomes a statement that is asked of the respondent who is given 26 questions to be answered and the results will be tabulated. All questions used in this research have previously been tested so that the instruments are valid and reliable. where the results of the respondents' answers are then tabulated and processed using SEM AMOS 23.

3.2 Data analysis and results measurement items

This study uses three dimensions with six indicators for trust variables which have been adapted from research (Indarsin & Ali, 2017) which has been adjusted. As for the ease of use variable, it uses three dimensions with six indicators taken from research (Suleman, Zuniarti, & Sabil, 2019). Furthermore, consumer attitude variables use three dimensions and six indicators adapted from research (Suleman, Ali, et al., 2020a) and finally for purchasing decision variables using four dimensions with eight indicators obtained from adjusted theory (Philip & Keller, 2016). All 26 indicators were measured using a scale of 1 “Strongly Disagree” to 5 “Strongly Agree”.

3.3 SEM AMOS Analysis

Goodness Of Fit (GOF) Analysis

The results of the first AMOS SEM test which aims to determine whether the overall compatibility model will be compared between the data entered and the standards owned by Amos. And the output of SEM AMOS results the data output on the overall compatibility test can be seen in Table 1 below:

| Measure GOF | Good Fit | Marginal Fit | Result |
|-------------|----------|--------------|--------|
| Absolute fit Model |          |              |        |
| Goodness of fit Index (GFI) | $\geq 0.90$ | 0.80 - <0.90 | 0.90   | Good Fit |
| Root Mean Square Error (RMSEA) | < 0.08 |            | 0.041  | Good Fit |
| Incremental Fit Model |          |              |        |
| Comparative Fit Index (CFI) | $\geq 0.90$ | 0.80 - <0.90 | 0.93   | Good Fit |
| Normal Fit Index (NFI) | $\geq 0.90$ | 0.80 - <0.90 | 0.81   | Marginal Fit |
| Incremental Fit Index (IFI) | $\geq 0.90$ | 0.80 - <0.90 | 0.92   | Good Fit |
| Relative fit index (RFI) | $\geq 0.90$ | 0.80 - <0.90 | 0.83   | Marginal Fit |
| Parsimonious Fit Model |          |              |        |
| Parsimonious normed fit index (PNFI) | $\geq 0.90$ | 0.80 - <0.90 | 0.86   | Marginal Fit |

Results of Overall Model Processing (GOF) If seen in Table 1 which is the SEM output from AMOS, the absolute fit size data model is found which aims to determine the level of prediction of all models (structural and measurement models) to data suitability consisting of RMSEA 0.041 <0.08 (model fit) and a GFI value of 0.90. It can be concluded that all the models tested are close to the absolute fit model testing criteria at a fairly good level of testing criteria. And for other model fit criteria, the Incremental Fit Model consists of several conformity test instruments, namely the value of CFI = 0.93; NFI = 0.81; IFI = 0.92 and RFI = 0.83, the results state that the structural equation model is said to be good because it is at a fairly good level of testing criteria and has met the requirements of the Incremental Fit Model. On the fit size, the stingy fit model can be seen in the PNFI results = 0.86; From these outputs it can be concluded that the model is said to be at the level of testing criteria is quite good and meets the requirements of the parsimonious fit model.

3.4 Measurement Model

The second output result in SEM AMOS shows the following data results. According to (Ferdinand, 2018) the composite reliability of a measurement model is said to be good reliability to measure each latent variable if the construct reliability value (CR) is $\geq 0.7$ or more than the value of extracted variance (VE) is greater than 0.05, states that in exploration reliability research between 0.5 - 0.6 can be accepted and then at SEM AMOS a one-way test is carried out with a 95% confidence level, the commonly used critical value (CR)$> 1.96$ which means the assumption of normality is rejected at significance level (P) $<0.05$ (5%).
Table 2
Construct reliability and variance extracted

| Constructs | Item Code | Factor Loadings | (Error) | CR | VE |
|------------|-----------|-----------------|---------|----|----|
| Trust      | TS1       | 0.82            | 0.63    | 0.87 | 0.50 |
|            | TS2       | 0.70            | 0.52    |      |    |
|            | TS3       | 0.76            | 0.58    |      |    |
|            | TS4       | 0.72            | 0.41    |      |    |
|            | TS5       | 0.83            | 0.67    |      |    |
|            | TS6       | 0.86            | 0.42    |      |    |
| Ease Of Use| EU7       | 0.72            | 0.51    | 0.90 | 0.50 |
|            | EU8       | 0.80            | 0.59    |      |    |
|            | EU9       | 0.81            | 0.61    |      |    |
|            | EU10      | 0.73            | 0.63    |      |    |
|            | EU11      | 0.77            | 0.61    |      |    |
|            | EU12      | 0.83            | 0.59    |      |    |
| Attitude   | ATD13     | 0.83            | 0.60    | 0.85 | 0.50 |
|            | ATD14     | 0.78            | 0.57    |      |    |
|            | ATD15     | 0.76            | 0.62    |      |    |
|            | ATD16     | 0.74            | 0.62    |      |    |
|            | ATD17     | 0.74            | 0.68    |      |    |
|            | ATD18     | 0.75            | 0.61    |      |    |
| Decision   | DCS19     | 0.79            | 0.56    | 0.86 | 0.60 |
|            | DCS20     | 0.81            | 0.59    |      |    |
|            | DCS21     | 0.80            | 0.60    |      |    |
|            | DSC22     | 0.79            | 0.70    |      |    |
|            | DCS23     | 0.80            | 0.60    |      |    |
|            | DSC24     | 0.79            | 0.64    |      |    |
|            | DSC25     | 0.81            | 0.61    |      |    |
|            | DSC26     | 0.78            | 0.57    |      |    |

From Table 2 data it is found that all 26 indicators are valid and reliable because (CR) is ≥ 0.7 or more than the value of extracted variance (VE) is greater than 0.05

3.5 Match analysis of structural models or hypothesis testing

The next step is to look at the structural model or hypothesis test in this case it can be seen about how the conclusions of the hypothesis in this study can be seen in Table 3 below:

Table 3
Hypotheses test results

| No | Hypotheses          | SLF1) | t-value | Conclusion |
|----|---------------------|-------|---------|------------|
| 1  | H1 Trust → Decision | 0.68  | 8.0     | Supported  |
| 2  | H2 Easy Of Use → Decision | 0.28 | 2.2 | Supported  |
| 3  | H3 Attitude → Decision | 0.56  | 5.2     | Supported  |

In the hypothesis test results in Table 3, which is the result of SEM AMOS output data processing which shows that the five are accepted, meaning that (H1-H3) all show an effect and are significant. The basis for decision making is influential and significant based on the value of the t-value > T-table 1.96 and α <0.05, where the magnitude of the effect can be seen in the resulting SLF value which shows how much influence the independent variable has on the dependent. The test results show that trust (H1) has a positive and significant effect on decision with an output value of 8.0 greater than the table 1.96 and a standardized coefficient of 0.68. Then (H2) ease of use towards decision, the t-value is 2.2 which is also greater than the t-table (1.96) with a standard coefficient of 0.28. Whereas for (H3) attitude towards the decision found the values of 5.2 which are also greater than the table (1.96) with a coefficient of 0.56.

4. Discussions and conclusion

After seeing the results of research that has been conducted by researchers, the researchers conclude. Where the basis for this conclusion is obtained from the results obtained, among others, it shows that trust has an effect and is significant on decisions, ease of use has an effect and is significant on decisions and finally that consumer attitudes have a significant and significant effect on consumer decisions. And the results found that the factor that has the greatest influence and significance on consumer decisions is consumer trust in e-commerce. The results of the first study found that trust has a significant effect on consumer decisions, this reinforces previous studies which have many of the same results. In determining the factors that need to be made positive, the main thing is consumer trust, therefore entrepreneurs or e-commerce owners must strive to increase consumer confidence in e-commerce, in this case the part that needs to be improved is the sense of transaction security in payments
made, for it is at the heart of all the indecisiveness that the consumer thinks. when an e-commerce can convince a sense of trust for transactions, the consumer's decision to buy is not a difficult thing to materialize.

The results of the second study found in this study were that ease of use had a significant and significant effect on consumer decisions, this is also something that has naturally happened and has been widely discussed in previous studies. Because indeed the name ease of use will be a determining factor once again even though people already believe, but if it is difficult to make transactions or the process is confusing, consumers will still choose other e-commerce that is easier in the process of using it. E-commerce uses a new system which must be made easy and immediately understood by even new users.

The results of the third study indicate that attitudes have an effect and are significant on consumer decisions. These results also reinforce previous research which showed the same results. Here it is necessary to understand by e-commerce owners that indeed today's consumers have different characters, they have different backgrounds and are born in different generations which of course have an effect on negative and positive attitudes towards e-commerce, therefore for certain generations it is certain have a positive attitude supported by trust and ease of use of e-commerce, therefore efforts that can be done are to show a sense of help in every transaction process that consumers go through and this can change consumer attitudes towards e-commerce.

5. Limitation

In this study of course there are still many shortcomings and limitations, among others, the researchers' suggestions for future researchers, especially on the number of variables that affect consumer decisions where other variables can be added such as enjoyment and risks that affect decisions such as in research (Suleman et al., 2019)

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