

THE ROLE OF CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE AS A CATALYST IN CUSTOMER LOYALTY AND SATISFACTION IN THE DIGITAL WORLD

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ABSTRACT

Digitalization has brought about transformative changes in the business industry, especially in the aspect of customer experience. This study aims to analyze the strategic role of customer experience as a catalyst that can influence and increase customer loyalty and customer satisfaction in an increasingly competitive digital environment. In-depth literature studies show that superior and positive customer experience can create a close and mutually beneficial long-term relationship between customers and companies. Meaningful customer experience can significantly increase customer satisfaction, loyalty, and commitment to a brand or company, making it a key factor in maintaining competitive advantage in the digital market.

Keywords: *customer experience, customer loyalty, customer satisfaction, e-commerce, digitalization*

1. INTRODUCTION

In today's digital era, customer experience has become the main focus for many companies. This is due to technological advancements and changes in consumer behavior that demand a more personalized and seamless experience. Companies that are able to meet customer expectations and needs in a more integrated and personalized way can build stronger relationships with customers, create significant added value, and drive increased customer loyalty and satisfaction.

In an increasingly competitive digital context, today's consumers want different, unique, and engaging experiences when interacting with brands or companies. Research shows that a well-designed customer experience can increase engagement and active interaction between customers and brands, which is critical to maintaining customer loyalty (Thakur, 2019; Ahmad et al., 2022). To compete effectively, companies need to provide a consistent, personalized, and engaging customer experience across touchpoints with customers (Felix & Moon, 2023). This not only helps in attracting new customers but also in retaining existing ones, which is key to a competitive advantage in a highly dynamic digital market.

One of the important aspects of customer experience is customer engagement, which is becoming increasingly relevant in a digital business environment. Customer engagement not only includes one-way interaction, but also involves customers as *co-creators* in communication and product processes (Thakur, 2019). Research shows that a positive engagement experience can strengthen the emotional connection between customers and brands, which in turn increases customer satisfaction and loyalty (Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient, 2020). Additionally, personalized and

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relevant experiences can improve customer satisfaction, which is an important factor in building long-term loyalty (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019).

The importance of website design and user interface cannot be ignored either. Good design can increase customer satisfaction and loyalty by facilitating a more enjoyable and efficient shopping experience. Research shows that interactive elements and social presence in digital channels can increase engagement and positive experiences, which contributes to customer satisfaction and loyalty. Therefore, companies need to focus on developing these elements to create a better and more engaging customer experience. Overall, to maintain a competitive and attractive advantage and retain customers, companies must invest in creating unique and engaging customer experiences. This includes developing strategies that focus on customer engagement, personalization, and intuitive design, as well as ensuring that all touchpoints with customers provide a consistent and satisfying experience. With the right approach, companies can build strong relationships with customers, increase satisfaction, and ultimately drive higher loyalty. (Guo et al., 2023; Garzaro et al., 2021; Felix & Moon, 2023; Urdea & Constantin, 2021)

Effective customer experience management requires collaboration between various functions within the company, such as marketing, operations, human resources, and information technology. In the digital context, the customer experience dimension includes *aspects of informativeness, entertainment, social presence, and sensory*. These elements contribute to the creation of value for customers, and positive and meaningful experiences are an important component in defining a company's success in the digital world. Companies that adopt a good customer experience management approach can increase their competitiveness in an increasingly competitive market.

Customer experience is defined as the customer's perception and response to all interactions with the company, either directly or indirectly. It covers the cognitive, affective, emotional, social, and physical aspects of the customer. In this context, customer satisfaction and loyalty have become very important, especially in the digital age where consumers have many options and can easily switch to other competitors. Therefore, building customer experience is key to creating customer loyalty and increasing satisfaction.

This research aims to explore how customer experience can serve as a catalyst in increasing customer loyalty and satisfaction in a dynamic and competitive digital environment. By understanding how customer experiences can drive loyalty and satisfaction, companies can develop more effective strategies to improve relationships with customers and achieve a sustainable competitive advantage.

The Problem Formulation is:

1. What is the role of customer experience as a catalyst for customer loyalty and satisfaction in the digital world?
2. How can customer experience affect customer satisfaction and loyalty in a competitive digital environment?
3. What strategies can companies implement to create a positive customer experience and increase customer satisfaction and loyalty?

The objectives of the research are:

1. Analyze the role of customer experience as a catalyst in customer loyalty and satisfaction in the digital world.
2. Investigate how customer experience can affect customer satisfaction and loyalty in a competitive digital environment.
3. Identify strategies that companies can implement to create a positive customer experience and increase customer satisfaction and loyalty.

The Literature Review is:

Previous research has shown that customer experience (CX) plays an important role in creating *customer loyalty and satisfaction*, especially in the evolving digital context. In the digital

age, companies are faced with the challenge of understanding and meeting increasingly high customer expectations. Empirical studies show that companies that are able to leverage digital technology for collaboration and personalization of the customer experience tend to be more successful in increasing customer loyalty and satisfaction (. However, despite the efforts of many companies to implement digitalization strategically, creating a personalized customer experience through big data analytics and automation is still a significant challenge (Aslam et al., 2020)(Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Siswadi, 2023;).(Mofokeng, 2021; Winata, 2022)

Good service quality and customer satisfaction have been proven to be able to mediate the influence on customer loyalty. In the context of e-commerce, e-satisfaction and *e-trust* also function as important mediators between *e-service quality* and *e-loyalty (e-loyalty)* (Guo et al., 2023).Research shows that customer satisfaction can be a key factor in developing long-term customer loyalty, where satisfied customers are more likely to remain loyal to the brand and recommend it to others (; Prima Glorius Düsseldorf et al., 2023)(Arma, 2022; Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient , 2020)

Based on previous research, it can be concluded that there is a close relationship between *customer experience, customer satisfaction, and customer loyalty*. The relationship between these three elements is worth further research, especially in an ever-evolving digital environment. Further research is needed to explore how the dimensions of customer experience, *such as informativeness, entertainment, social presence, and sensory*, can play a decisive role in creating and maintaining customer loyalty and satisfaction in today's digital age. With a deeper understanding of these relationships, companies can develop more effective strategies to improve the customer experience and, in turn, increase their customer loyalty and satisfaction (Putri, 2022; Thakur, 2019)(Setiawan, 2022; Urdea & Constantin, 2021)(Felix & Moon , 2023):Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023).

Research Significance

This research is expected to make a theoretical and practical contribution in understanding the role of customer experience as a catalyst in increasing customer loyalty and satisfaction in the digital environment.

Theoretically, this research will enrich the literature on the influence of *customer experience* on customer satisfaction and loyalty, especially in the context of digital transformation. In addition, the results of this study can be used as a reference for similar research in the future.

In practical terms, this research can provide valuable insights for business practitioners and marketing managers in designing and implementing effective customer experience management strategies to increase customer satisfaction and maintain customer loyalty. By understanding the key role of *customer experience*, companies can develop a more customer-centric approach and create a sustainable competitive advantage in the digital age.

The definition of Customer Experience is Customer experience can be defined as the customer's perception, assessment, and holistic response to all points of interaction with the company, either directly or indirectly. It encompasses a wide range of integrated cognitive, affective, emotional, social, and physical aspects, which profoundly affect customer satisfaction and loyalty. A positive, meaningful, and attuned customer experience to customer expectations can create a close long-term bond between the customer and the company, as well as significantly increase customer satisfaction and loyalty to the brand or company (;). In the context of fierce competition in today's digital world(Rolando et al., 2022; Student et al., 2023)(Aslam et al., 2020)(Mofokeng, 2021; Widjaja, 2025)(Guo et al., 2023; São Paulo, Sã et al., 2025a), a superior and personalized customer experience can serve as a catalyst that encourages the formation of *strong customer loyalty* and *customer satisfaction* (;).(Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Urdea & Constantin, 2021)

A positive and meaningful customer experience can create a close long-term bond between the customer and the company, as well as significantly increase customer satisfaction and loyalty to the brand or company (;. Thus, companies that are able to manage and improve their customer

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experience will be better able to retain customers and increase their loyalty in the long run (; (Thakur, 2019)(Ahmad et al., 2022; Rolando, Chandra, et al., 2025; Rolando & Mulyono, 2025a)Aslam et al., 2020)(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023; Rolando, Widjaja, et al., 2025)

In an ever-evolving digital environment, it's important for companies to understand how the various elements of the customer experience interact and affect each other. Further research is needed to explore in depth how these dimensions can serve as determining factors in creating and maintaining customer loyalty and satisfaction (Mofokeng, 2021; (Pires et al., 2024)The role of Customer Experience in today's digital era, the role of *customer experience* (CX) is becoming increasingly important in creating customer loyalty and satisfaction. Research shows that 89% of companies compete based on *customer experience*, which emphasizes the importance of comprehensive customer experience management to win the competition (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019). A good *customer experience* not only improves customer satisfaction but also builds a closer relationship between the company and the customer, which in turn drives long-term loyalty (;)(Mofokeng, 2021)(Aslam et al., 2020)

Key dimensions in *customer experience* include *informativeness, entertainment, social presence, and sensory experience*. *Informativeness* refers to the ability of a customer to obtain accurate and relevant information regarding a product or service (. This is important because informed customers tend to feel more satisfied and loyal. Furthermore, entertainment in interactions with customers can create a fun and memorable experience, which contributes to increased satisfaction (. Social presence, which enables social interaction between customers and brands, also plays an important role in building strong emotional bonds (. Finally, sensory experiences can strengthen a positive impression of the brand Guo et al., 2023Thakur, 2019Urdea & Constantin, 2021

Various empirical studies have shown that a superior customer experience can significantly increase *customer loyalty* and satisfaction. For example, research by Chaudhary shows that good *customer experience* management has a positive impact on customer loyalty in e-commerce applications (Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)

Research shows that a good *customer experience* not only increases customer loyalty but also encourages positive word-of-mouth, which can contribute to long-term profitability (. Therefore, companies need to focus on managing the customer experience effectively to meet customer expectations and create sustainable added value (.Zariman et al., 2023)Kurniadi & Rana, 2023) Customer Experience in the Digital World

In the digital context, customer experience includes all customer interactions with companies through various digital platforms, such as websites, mobile applications , and social media. Important dimensions of customer experience in the digital world include:

1. Ease of Use and Usability: Ease of use of digital platforms is essential to ensure customers can easily find the information they need and complete transactions. Research shows that good usability contributes to customer satisfaction and loyalty (Guo et al., 2023; Mulyono et al., 2025; São Paulo, Sã et al., 2025b)
2. Quality of Content and Information: The quality of information provided digitally, including the accuracy and relevance of the content, greatly influences customer perception of a brand. Quality content can increase customer trust and satisfaction (.Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019
3. Responsiveness and Speed of Service: Responsiveness in responding to customer requests, whether through customer service or in the transaction process, is key to creating a positive experience. The speed of service can significantly affect customer satisfaction and loyalty (;). Student et al., 2023)(Mofokeng, 2021)
4. Personalization: Personalizing the experience based on customer preferences can increase engagement and satisfaction. Customers tend to be more loyal to brands that understand and meet their needs individually (;)(Rolando & Ingriana , 2024; Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient , 2020)(Deng et al., 2022)

5. Interactive and Collaborative Aspects: Interactions that are interactive and collaborative in digital experiences, such as live chat features or community forums, can increase customer engagement and create a stronger relationship with brands (Ahmad et al., 2022)

6. Data Security and Privacy: In the digital age, the security and privacy of customer data is a major concern. Customers are more likely to transact with companies that can guarantee the security of their personal information (, 2023;)(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023; Rolando & Ingriana , 2024)(Felix & Moon , 2023; Ingriana et al., 2024)

7. Experience Integration and Consistency: Customer experience should be consistent across multiple digital touchpoints. Good integration between different platforms can increase positive perceptions of brands and make it easier for customers to interact (Flavián et al., 2019).

Advantages of Customer Experience

Some of the key advantages that can have a significant impact on customer loyalty and satisfaction. Here are some of these advantages:

1. Increase Customer Loyalty: Customers who experience a positive customer experience tend to be more loyal to the company. Research shows that a good customer experience can strengthen the emotional connection between customers and brands, which contributes to long-term loyalty). (Urdea & Constantin, 2021)

2. Improves Customer Satisfaction: A good customer experience can significantly improve customer satisfaction. High quality of service and positive experiences across various digital touchpoints play an important role in creating customer satisfaction (;).Student et al., 2023)(Mofokeng, 2021)

3. Encourages Positive Word-of-Mouth: Satisfied customers will be more likely to promote the company to others voluntarily. Positive word-of-mouth is the result of a satisfactory customer experience and can be an effective marketing tool for companies (;. Guo et al., 2023)(Pires et al., 2024)

4. Increase Profitability: Loyal and satisfied customers will be more willing to make repeat purchases and have a higher lifetime value for the company. Research shows that customers who have positive experiences tend to make purchases more often and recommend products to others, which has an impact on increased profitability (;). (Thakur, 2019)(Ahmad et al., 2022)

5. Differentiating Companies from Competitors: Superior customer experience can be a source of competitive advantage for companies in the digital era. By offering a better experience than competitors, companies can attract and retain customers more effectively. (Kurniadi & Rana, 2023)

Thus, managing customer experience optimally in the digital world not only increases customer loyalty and satisfaction, but also provides a significant competitive advantage for companies. Through efforts to create a positive and meaningful customer experience, companies can build closer relationships with customers, which will ultimately drive business growth and sustainability in an increasingly competitive market.Zariman et al., 2023)(Vatsa et al., 2023)(Al-Dwairi et al., 2024)

Customer Experience Challenges

Although the implementation of a good customer experience in the digital world has many advantages, there are several significant challenges that must be faced by companies. These challenges include:

1. Complexity of Integrating Various Digital Touchpoints: Companies need to integrate various digital platforms such as websites, apps, social media, and more to create a consistent customer experience. Poor integration can lead to a fragmented experience, which can reduce customer satisfaction and loyalty ()(). (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Student et al., 2023)

2. Dynamic Customization of Content and Services: Companies must be able to dynamically customize content and services based on individual customer preferences, behaviors, and needs. This requires sophisticated systems for data analysis and personalization, which is often a challenge for many organizations (;). (Aslam et al., 2020)(Mofokeng, 2021)

3. Maintain Service Speed and Responsiveness: Digital customers have high expectations for service speed and responsiveness. Therefore, companies must constantly improve the performance of their services to meet customer expectations, which can be a challenge in resource-intensive situations (Ahmad et al., 2022)(Yang & Lee, 2022)

4. Facing Increasingly Fierce Competition: With more and more choices in the digital realm, companies must continue to innovate and maintain a superior customer experience to maintain a competitive advantage. Fierce competition forces companies to always look for new ways to attract and retain customers (Felix & Moon , 2023)(Urdea & Constantin, 2021)

5. Requires Significant Technology Investment: Creating a good customer experience in the digital world requires a large investment in digital infrastructure and technology. Many companies may have difficulty allocating the necessary budget for technologies that support optimal customer experience (Zariman et al., 2023)(Vatsa et al., 2023)

By understanding and addressing these challenges, companies can be more effective in implementing superior customer experience strategies, which in turn can increase customer loyalty and satisfaction in a competitive digital environment.

Customer Experience Impact

Good *customer experience* management has a significant strategic impact on the company, especially in increasing customer loyalty. Research shows that positive experiences experienced by customers, such as enjoyable and efficient interactions, can encourage them to stay loyal to the company. Customers who feel cared for and satisfied with the service are more likely to make repeat purchases and maintain long-term relationships with the company (Simanjuntak & Purba, 2020). Prima Glorius Düsseldorf et al., 2023)(Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient , 2020)

In addition, a *superior customer experience* also contributes to a positive increase in word-of-mouth. Satisfied customers tend to share their good experiences with others, which in turn can attract new customers and expand the company's reach (). Research shows that word-of-mouth recommendations have a significant impact on promoting brands and products, especially in today's digital age where information can spread quickly through social media (Student et al., 2023)(Urdea & Constantin, 2021)Yang & Lee, 2022)

Another impact of good *customer experience* management is increasing the company's profitability. Loyal and satisfied customers not only make repeat purchases, but also have higher lifetime value for the company (). In this context, companies that invest in customer experience can see an increase in revenue and long-term profitability. Research shows that good service quality and positive customer experience contribute directly to customer satisfaction and loyalty, which ultimately impacts profitability (Mofokeng, 2021)(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)(Pasaribu et al., 2022)(Anh et al., 2022)

Finally, in today's highly competitive business environment, a good customer experience can be a source of competitive advantage. By creating unique and valuable experiences, companies can differentiate themselves from competitors and attract more customers (Guo et al., 2023). Research shows that companies that focus on improving the customer experience can achieve sustainable growth and maintain their position in the market (Pambudi, 2023). Therefore, investing in customer experience management is not only a strategic step, but also essential for the company's sustainability and future growth.(Tri Cuong, 2021)(Tri Cuong, 2021)

2. RESEARCH METHOD

The methodology of this study uses a qualitative approach with literature studies as a method. The sources of this research are from the Scopus database that is relevant to the research topic. With the keywords "Customer Experience", "Customer Loyalty", "Customer Satisfaction", "E-commerce", "Digitalization" in Indonesian and English, the researcher collected journal articles that

discussed the role of customer experience as a catalyst in customer loyalty and satisfaction in the digital world.

By using the Scopus database and entering several specific keywords related to customer experience, customer loyalty, customer satisfaction, as well as e-commerce or online shopping activities and the digitization process, the author was able to find as many as 132 documents relevant to the research topic. This literature review approach allows researchers to analyze various sources and perspectives, so as to produce a comprehensive understanding of issues related to customer experience, loyalty, and customer satisfaction in the digital environment.

The search results for this research document were re-filtered based on the suitability of the topic, context, and relevance to the research objectives. In addition, screening was also carried out taking into account the date of publication of the journal, which is from 2019 to 2024, and 115 documents relevant to the topic of this research were found. Furthermore, the search results were filtered again according to the research subjects, namely "art & humanities", "business, management and accounting", and "social sciences", to get more relevant sources. Through this screening process, the author finally obtained as many as 81 documents that were suitable and could be used in this study.

After screening the language, type of article and briefly reviewing the abstract of the document, 45 document titles that are relevant to the research topic were obtained. The collected documents are then analyzed in depth to identify the main themes and sub-themes that emerge related to the research topic. An in-depth analysis is conducted to explore, understand, and synthesize various concepts, theories, and research findings related to the topic being studied. This process allows researchers to gain a comprehensive understanding of the issues and perspectives that exist in the literature related to this research.

- 1) The inclusion criteria for the selected research sources are as follows:
- 2) Published in the period 2019-2024
- 3) Discuss the topics of customer experience, customer loyalty, customer satisfaction, and digitalization
- 4) Have a focus on the context of e-commerce or online shopping
- 5) Published in reputable scientific journals and indexed in databases such as Scopus

Through these steps, the research is expected to produce a comprehensive understanding of the relationship between customer experience, customer loyalty, and customer satisfaction in the digital environment. The final step is to assess the quality of the selected study using criteria such as good research design, adequate sample size, and logical discussion and conclusions supported by strong evidence by finding journals that meet these criteria to be used in this study (Figure 1).

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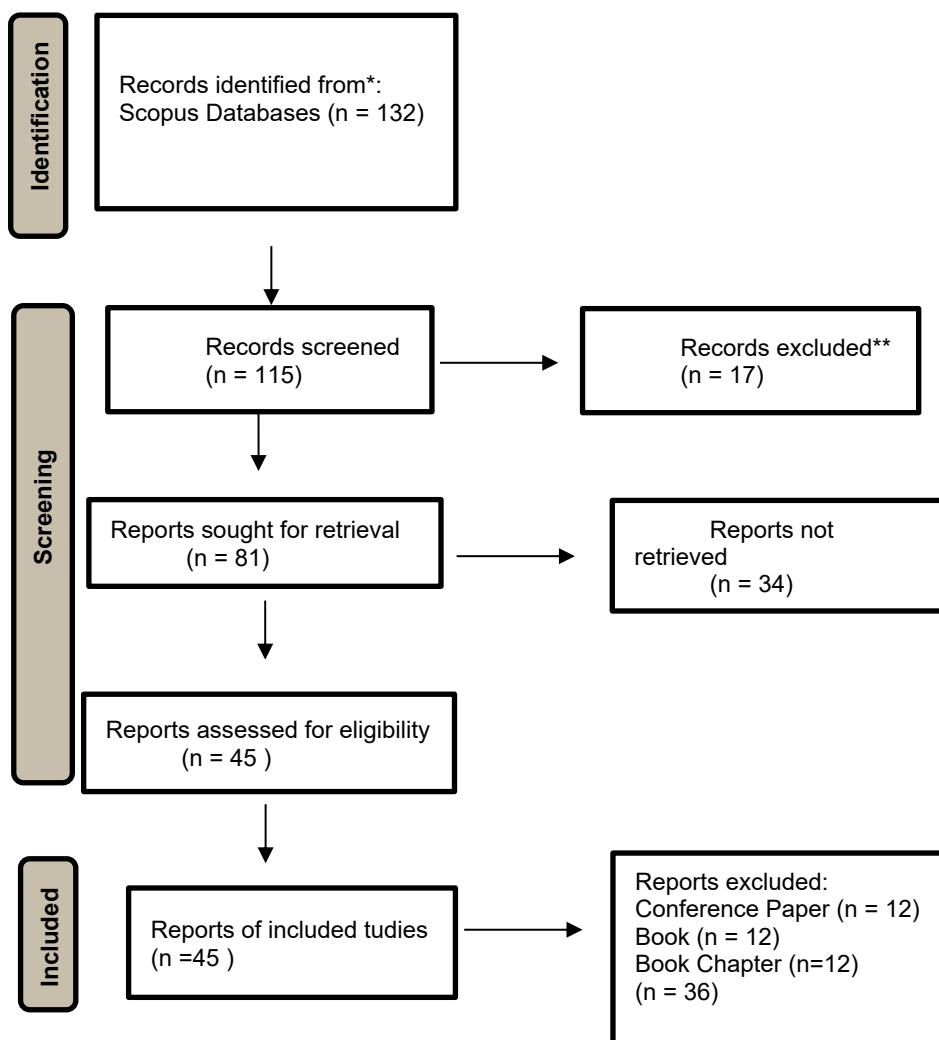


Figure 2.1 Selected Identification and Study PRISMA Flow Diagram

The structured data extraction process was developed based on the PRISMA guidelines. This allows for consistent capture of key characteristics and findings from the various studies included in the review. The PRISMA framework provides a systematic approach to data extraction, ensuring that relevant information is extracted consistently and thoroughly from every included research article. This structured methodology allows researchers to comprehensively capture and synthesize various important elements and insights gained from the reviewed literature.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

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Towards Personalized Answer Generation in E-Commerce via Multi-Perspective Preference Modeling

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1. Examine the impact of information quality, privacy concerns, perceived security, product variety, and product delivery on online shopping customer satisfaction and loyalty. 2. Measure the moderating effects of e-commerce experience on the relationships between online shopping attributes, customer satisfaction, and customer loyalty.

- A quantitative, descriptive research design - Data collection from 287 online shoppers in Gauteng Province, South Africa using a survey questionnaire - Analysis of the data using structural equation modelling

- To generate personalized answers for product-related questions that take into account the user's preferences and interests - To provide customized answers to different customers by exploring and modeling their preferences

1. A base encoder-decoder architecture for general answer generation 2. A persona history incorporation module to model knowledge-level user preference using historical user-generated content 3. A persona preference modeling module that employs neural topic modeling to capture latent aspect-level user preference and build a preference-based user vocabulary 4. A persona information summarizer module that uses a persona-aware pointer-generator network to generate personalized answers by summarizing multi-perspective user preference information

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The moderating role of customer engagement experiences in customer satisfaction-loyalty relationship	Rakhi Thakur +1	The moderating role of customer engagement experiences in customer satisfaction-loyalty relationship.pdf	Unknown Quotes	- To examine the moderating role of customer engagement experiences in the satisfaction-loyalty relationship in the digital business environment, specifically in mobile commerce - To advance the literature on customer engagement experiences by identifying and isolating the roles of various engagement experiences - To provide evidence that customer engagement moderates the relationship between satisfaction and loyalty in mobile commerce	- An exploratory qualitative study to identify relevant customer engagement experiences - Multiple quantitative studies, including a pilot study to validate scales, and two main studies examining the proposed relationships in the context of mobile shopping apps for lifestyle products (Study 1) and mobile travel apps (Study 2)
The impact of Convenience and Trust on Satisfaction and Rebuying Intention in Online Shopping: Using The PLS Algorithm	Tri Dam +1	MSIE	The impact of convenience and trust on satisfaction and rebuying intention in online shopping using the pls algorith.pdf	1) Analyze the influence of convenience on satisfaction and repurchase intention in online shopping 2) Analyze the influence of trust on satisfaction and repurchase intention in online shopping 3) Examine the relationship between satisfaction and repurchase intention in online shopping	- Used a partial least squares (PLS) structural equation modeling (SEM) approach for data analysis - Collected data from a convenience sample of 306 online shoppers in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam - Used a Likert scale to measure the constructs, which were adapted from previous research
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Hadi Kurniadi +2	The_power_of_trust_How_does_consumer_trust_impact_satisfaction_and_loyalty_in_Indonesian_digital_busi.pdf	Unknown Quotes		- To explore how consumer satisfaction influences consumer trust - To investigate how consumer satisfaction and consumer trust ultimately build strong consumer loyalty in the Indonesian e-commerce industry	The study used a quantitative research design and surveyed 230 consumers from Jakarta, Indonesia. The data analysis involved utilizing validation and descriptive statistics in MS Excel and inferential statistics through smartpls to draw meaningful conclusions. The study employed Smart-PLS version 3.3 as the chosen statistical analysis tool to evaluate the proposed structural model and analyze the collected data. The analysis encompassed three primary

steps: 1) descriptive analysis, 2) evaluation of the reliability and validity of the measurement model, and 3) assessment of the proposed structural model. The paper utilized Smart-PLS to analyze the structural model and determine the significance of the paths within the model.

What Drives the Digital Customer Experience and Customer Loyalty in Mobile Short-Form Video Shopping? Evidence from Douyin (tiktok)

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1. Examine the influence of content quality and relationship quality on customer stickiness in MSFV shopping
2. Investigate how customer stickiness affects attitudinal and behavioral loyalty
3. Explore the relationship between attitudinal loyalty and behavioral loyalty in MSFV shopping

- Online survey of MSFV shopping customers, with 796 samples collected and 778 valid responses
- Used covariance-based structural equation modeling (CB-SEM) to analyze the data and evaluate the measurement and structural models, using SPSS 26 and AMOS 22 software
- Evaluated the measurement model by assessing factor loadings, composite reliability, and average variance extracted to ensure validity and reliability

- Identify the factors that influence e-customer trust in B2C e-commerce
- Examine the impact of e-customer trust on e-customer loyalty in B2C e-commerce
- Provide insights on e-commerce trust and loyalty from the perspective of Pakistani consumers

- Non-probability purposive sampling of respondents from the major urban cities of Pakistan (Karachi, Lahore, and Islamabad) who had experience with e-commerce
- Data collection through both online questionnaires distributed digitally and hard copies distributed in-person
- Statistical analysis using EFA, CFA, SEM, and reliability analysis

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1. Evaluate customer experience with digital wallets and their relationship with customer satisfaction and loyalty.
2. Examine the moderating effect of loyalty programs in the digital wallet domain on the association between customer experience, satisfaction, and loyalty.

- Data collection: The data was collected from 349 respondents using the snowball sampling technique through Google Forms. - Pre-testing: The questionnaire was pre-tested with a convenience sample of 40 customers, and feedback from industry veterans was incorporated to ensure a high-quality measurement instrument. - Data analysis: The data was analyzed using smartpls 4.0 software, and the goodness-of-fit of the measurement model was evaluated before conducting the analysis. - Measurement model evaluation: The SRMR value of 0.077 was lower than the acceptable threshold of 0.080, indicating a good model fit, although the authors note that the overall model fit criteria should be approached cautiously.

EFFECT OF CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE MANAGEMENT ON LOYALTY TO AN E-COMMERCE APPLICATION

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- Evaluate the effect of customer experience dimensions on loyalty to e-commerce applications
- Suggest ways to improve the customer experience dimensions for the decision makers

- Developed a structured questionnaire based on a literature review, expert review, and pilot testing - Conducted a field survey with 104 randomly selected e-commerce users in India - Analyzed the data using partial least squares structural equation modeling (PLS-SEM) in smartpls software

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'Stimuli Are All Around'-The Influence of Offline and Online Servicescapes on Customer Satisfaction and Repurchase Intention	The study objectives are to investigate the interplay of offline and online (mobile app) servicescapes and their combined antecedents, and how they affect customer satisfaction and repurchase intention among three types of Indonesian retailers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quantitative approach with individual multichannel retail consumers in Indonesia as the unit of analysis - Non-probability convenience sampling method to select participants - Self-administered questionnaires as the primary data collection method, with four separate sets for each of the four retailers included - Eligibility criteria of having made purchases from both the offline and mobile app stores of the respective retailers within the last year - Data analysis using partial least squares structural equation modeling (PLS-SEM) with the smartpls software
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Table 3.1 Result and Discussion

After analyzing various sources, it can be concluded that customer experience plays an important role as a catalyst in increasing customer loyalty and customer satisfaction in the digital environment. Various studies show that a positive customer experience can directly affect customer satisfaction, which in turn has a positive impact on customer loyalty. Effective customer experience management can create a deeper emotional connection with customers, increasing their overall loyalty. In addition, other factors such as trust, perceived value, and quality of service also contribute to the formation of customer loyalty in the digital environment.

3.1 Customer Loyalty and Customer Satisfaction

Customer satisfaction refers to the degree to which a product or service meets or exceeds customer expectations. This is often considered a precursor to customer loyalty, as satisfied customers are more likely to return for repeat purchases. Research shows that customer satisfaction has a direct and positive influence on customer loyalty. For example, a study by Mofokeng highlighted that the attributes of online shopping, such as product delivery and perceived security, significantly affect customer satisfaction, which in turn affects loyalty (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Fine) Glorious Düsseldorf et al., 2023)(Anh et al., 2022)Mofokeng, 2021)Prima Glorious Pambudi et al., 2023

On the other hand, customer loyalty includes a customer's commitment to repurchase or continue to use a brand, which is often demonstrated through repeat purchases and positive word-of-mouth promotions. Loyalty is influenced not only by satisfaction but also by other factors such as trust and perceived value (). For example, Guo et al. Emphasizing that usability and trust in website design play an important role in fostering customer loyalty, which suggests that while satisfaction is important, it is not the only determinant of loyalty (). Furthermore, Chaudhary's study shows that effective customer experience management can increase loyalty, which underscores the diverse nature of customer loyalty beyond mere satisfaction (Kurniadi & Rana, 2023)(Guo et al., 2023(Guo et al., 2023)(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)

The relationship between customer satisfaction and loyalty is often mediated by other constructs, such as trust and perceived value. Kurniadi's research shows that trust acts as a mediator between satisfaction and loyalty, which shows that customers tend to remain loyal when they feel satisfied and trust the brand (This mediating effect suggests that while satisfaction is important, the existence of trust can amplify its impact on loyalty.Kurniadi & Rana, 2023)

In addition, the dynamics of customer engagement also play an important role in this relationship. Thakur's study revealed that customer engagement experiences can moderate satisfaction-loyalty relationships, suggesting that higher engagement rates can increase the positive effects of satisfaction on loyalty (These findings highlight the importance of not only meeting customer expectations but also actively engaging them to foster loyalty.Thakur, 2019)

3.2 Hubungan Customer Experience - Customer Loyalty

Customer experience includes the overall perception that customers have of a brand based on their interactions across various touchpoints. It covers every aspect of the customer journey, from initial awareness to post-purchase support. A positive customer experience is essential because it directly affects customer satisfaction, which in turn affects customer loyalty (). Research shows that a well-managed customer experience can lead to increased satisfaction and, consequently, higher loyalty levels (). For example, a study by Mofokeng highlights that attributes such as product delivery and perceived security have a significant impact on customer satisfaction, which is a precursor to loyalty (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019(Fine) Glorious Düsseldorf et al., 2023)(Fine) Glorious Düsseldorf et al., 2023)(Urdea & Constantin, 2021(Mofokeng, 2021)

On the other hand, customer loyalty refers to a customer's commitment to buy back or continue to use a brand, which is often demonstrated through repeat purchases and advocacy. Loyalty doesn't just depend on satisfaction; Loyalty is also influenced by factors such as trust, perceived value, and overall quality of service (For example, Guo et al. Emphasizing that usability and trust in website design play an important role in fostering customer loyalty, which suggests that while customer experience is important, it is not the only determinant of loyalty Additionally, research has shown that customer loyalty can be improved through effective customer experience management, which creates a deeper emotional connection with customers (Aslam et al., 2020)(Guo et al., 2023)(Guo et al., 2023).(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)(Kurniadi & Rana, 2023)

The relationship between customer experience and loyalty is often mediated by customer satisfaction. Research by Simanjuntak and Purba shows that customer experience has a positive impact on customer satisfaction, which in turn affects customer loyalty (). This mediation shows that while a positive customer experience is important, it must also translate into satisfaction to effectively foster loyalty. In addition, the role of customer engagement is increasingly recognized as a significant factor that can improve the satisfaction-loyalty relationship, as engaged customers are more likely to exhibit loyalty behaviors (();(Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient , 2020)(Thakur, 2019)(Ahmad et al., 2022)

3.2 Hubungan Customer Experience - Customer Satisfaction

Customer experience and customer satisfaction are two interrelated concepts but have important differences in the realm of marketing. Customer experience encompasses a customer's holistic perception of their interactions with a brand or company, which includes all touchpoints and interactions throughout the entire customer journey. In this context, customer experience focuses on the customer engagement process, including how customers interact with services, products, and brands as a whole). In contrast, customer satisfaction focuses more on the customer's final assessment of the extent to which the product or service meets or exceeds their expectations ().(Aslam et al., 2020)(Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019(Student et al., 2023)

Customer experience encompasses all the interactions a customer experiences with a brand or company throughout their journey, from information retrieval to purchase and after-sales service. It includes various touchpoints, such as website design, interaction with customer service, and product quality (). Customer experience focuses on the process of engagement and the holistic perception that customers have of the brand. Research shows that a positive customer experience can create value for customers and increase their loyalty (. For example, Pambudi found that a good customer experience contributes to customer loyalty, suggesting that companies that manage customer experiences well tend to have more loyal customers (). (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Urdea & Constantin, 2021)Urdea & Constantin, 2021)Prima Glorious Düsseldorf et al., 2023

On the other hand, customer satisfaction is a customer's assessment of the extent to which a product or service meets or exceeds their expectations. It focuses more on the end result of the customer's interaction with the brand. Customer satisfaction is often measured through surveys and feedback, and is an important indicator of customer loyalty (). Research by Mofokeng shows that online shopping attributes, such as security and product delivery, have a significant effect on customer satisfaction, which in turn can increase loyalty (). In other words, while a good customer experience can increase satisfaction, satisfaction itself is the result of the experience the customer experiences.Student et al., 2023(Mofokeng, 2021)

One of the main differences between these two concepts is that customer experience is more processive, while customer satisfaction is more outcome-oriented. Customer experience encompasses all interactions that customers experience, while customer satisfaction is an evaluation of those interactions (;). For example, a customer may have a good experience during the purchase process, but if the product received does not meet expectations, customer satisfaction may decrease even if the initial experience is positive ((Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Thakur, 2019)Guo et al., 2023)

Furthermore, customer experience can affect customer satisfaction through a variety of factors, including trust and perceived value. Research by Kurniadi shows that customer trust serves as a mediator between satisfaction and loyalty, emphasizing the importance of building trust in improving customer experience and satisfaction (). This shows that companies need to focus not only on customer experience and satisfaction, but also on building trust to create long-term relationships with customers.(Kurniadi & Rana, 2023)

Overall, while customer experience and customer satisfaction have fundamental differences, they are intertwined and play an important role in building customer loyalty. Companies that

successfully create a positive customer experience and meet customer expectations will be more likely to retain customers and build long-term relationships.

3.3 Customer Experience Improvement Strategy

In an increasingly competitive digital context, companies need to prioritize improving customer experience to maintain customer loyalty. There are several strategies that can be implemented to achieve this goal, which are supported by a wide range of research and literature.

First, companies can leverage technology to maximize digital interactions and services. The use of AI chatbots, content personalization, and customer data analytics can help create a more relevant and engaging experience for customers. According to research by Guo et al., good website design and proper use of technology can increase customer satisfaction and loyalty. In addition, Mofokeng points out that good online shopping attributes, including security and ease of use, contribute to higher customer satisfaction (.Guo et al., 2023)Mofokeng, 2021)

Second, providing an intuitive and integrated communication channel is essential for customers to interact easily through various digital platforms. This is in line with the findings from Felix who emphasized the importance of responsiveness and speed in customer interactions to improve their experience (. With good communication channels, customers feel more valued and engaged, which in turn can increase their loyalty. (Felix & Moon , 2023)

Third, innovation in shaping a unique and stunning customer experience is indispensable. The use of the latest technologies such as virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) can provide a more immersive and engaging experience for customers. Urdea and Constantin emphasize that customer experience dimensions, such as informativeness and entertainment, are critical in creating value for customers in the digital environment (). By creating an engaging experience, companies can differentiate themselves from competitors and attract customers' attention. (Urdea & Constantin, 2021)

Fourth, companies must ensure consistent digital service quality and responsiveness to customer feedback. Research by Tzavlopoulos shows that good service quality has a significant effect on customer satisfaction and loyalty (. Therefore, companies need to actively listen to customer feedback and make necessary improvements to meet their expectations.Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)

Furthermore, building a customer-centric organizational culture is an important strategic step. Involving all employees in understanding and prioritizing the customer experience can create an environment that supports the improvement of the overall customer experience. Kurniadi emphasized that customer trust serves as an important mediator in the relationship between satisfaction and loyalty, so building trust in the organization is very important (Kurniadi & Rana, 2023)

Finally, companies can implement customer data analysis strategies to gain deeper insights into customer behavior, preferences, and needs. By analyzing customer interaction data, purchase history, and feedback, companies can make better decisions in designing and optimizing customer experiences (;). Research by Simanjuntak and Purba shows that a good customer experience contributes to customer satisfaction and loyalty, and data analysis can help in understanding this relationship better (). (Fine) Glorious Düsseldorf et al., 2023)(Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient , 2020)Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient , 2020

Overall, a strategy to improve customer experience in the digital age requires a combination of technology, innovation, and customer focus. By implementing a holistic approach that puts the customer at the center, companies can create positive experiences, build loyalty, and win the competition in a dynamic digital marketplace.

3.4 The Role of Technology in Customer Experience

Technology has fundamentally changed the landscape of customer experience, especially in a digital context. First, technology allows for better personalization. By collecting and analyzing

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customer data, companies can offer content, products, and services tailored to individual preferences and behaviors. Research shows that personalization can increase customer relevance and engagement, as well as build stronger relationships between companies and customers. For example, using algorithms to recommend products based on previous purchase behavior can increase customer satisfaction and drive loyalty (; (Felix & Moon , 2023)(Deng et al., 2022)(Zariman et al., 2023)

Second, automation and artificial intelligence (AI) play a crucial role in improving customer service efficiency and responsiveness. Chatbots and virtual assistants can provide quick and consistent solutions to customer queries and requests, even outside of business hours. This not only increases customer satisfaction but also reduces the workload of the human customer service team. Thus, companies can focus more on more complex and high-value interactions, while routine tasks can be handled by technology (.(Guo et al., 2023)(Thakur, 2019)(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)

Third, technology enables richer data collection and analytics about customer behavior, preferences, and interactions. By analyzing this data, companies can gain deep insights into customer needs and design more appropriate experiences. Research shows that a better understanding of customer behavior can assist companies in developing more targeted and effective strategies to increase customer satisfaction and loyalty. Better audience segmentation allows companies to tailor their offerings more precisely, thereby creating a more satisfying experience for customers (; (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Mofokeng, 2021)(Fine) Glorious Düsseldorf et al., 2023)(Urdea & Constantin, 2021)

The main key in the utilization of technology is to ensure that it can effectively meet the needs and expectations of customers. Technology should be implemented with a focus on a better customer experience, not solely as a goal in itself. This is in line with the findings that a positive customer experience is greatly influenced by the quality of service and interaction provided by the company (;). Thus, companies must continue to innovate and adapt to technological developments to create a better and sustainable customer experience.(Pasaribu et al., 2022)(Tri Cuong, 2021)(Suharto et al., 2022)

3.5 Challenges and Risks in Improving Customer Experience in the Digital Era

While there is a lot of potential in improving customer experience in the digital age, the challenges and risks facing companies cannot be ignored. First, the issue of security and privacy of customer data is very important. Customers are increasingly aware of the importance of protecting their personal data, so companies must ensure that they implement strict and transparent security standards in the collection and management of data (. Research shows that uncertainty regarding data security can reduce customer trust and negatively impact their loyalty (;). (Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Aslam et al., 2020)(Aslam et al., 2020)(Kurniadi & Rana, 2023)

Second, large investments are required to adopt and maintain advanced technological infrastructure. The costs associated with developing skilled applications, hardware, and human resources can be a significant barrier, especially for small and medium-sized businesses (; This suggests that companies must plan budgets carefully and consider long-term strategies to ensure the sustainability of their technology investments (. (Felix & Moon , 2023)(Thakur, 2019)(Guo et al., 2023)

Third, changing the culture of a customer-centric organization can be a challenge in itself. Changing employee mindsets and behaviors to put the customer's interests above all else takes time and sustained effort. Research shows that companies that successfully create a customer-focused culture tend to have higher levels of customer satisfaction and loyalty (; Pambudi, 2023). (Ahmad et al., 2022)(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)(Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)

Fourth, the limitations in understanding customer preferences and behaviors that are highly dynamic in the digital environment are also a challenge. With ever-changing trends and technology, companies must adapt quickly to stay relevant to customers. Research shows that companies that are

able to effectively collect and analyze customer data can be better at responding to changing customer preferences (Flavián et al., 2019; Deng et al., 2022; Zariman et al., 2023).

Addressing these challenges requires strong commitment and cooperation across the organization. Adequate investment in technological resources, training, and infrastructure must be balanced with the creation of a customer-centric culture. In addition, companies must continuously monitor market trends, collect customer feedback, and make dynamic strategy adjustments. This effort must be carried out continuously and involve all parts of the organization in order to provide an optimal customer experience. (Ananda et al., 2023; Urdea & Constantin, 2021; Tri Cuong, 2021; Pasaribu et al., 2022)

As such, companies need to provide sufficient resources, such as budgets, experts, and adequate technology infrastructure, to support customer experience improvement initiatives. A customer-centric organizational culture must be instilled at all levels, from top management to frontline employees, so that all members of the organization have a strong awareness and commitment to customer experience priorities. With this comprehensive approach, companies can continue to increase their customer satisfaction and loyalty in the digital era. (Prima Luhur Pambudi et al., 2023; Pasaribu et al., 2022)

3.6 Customer Experience Innovation

Improving customer experience in the digital era is highly dependent on continuous innovation from companies. These innovations include the development of new products, services, and processes that significantly increase the value provided to customers. One prominent example is the use of virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) technologies in the shopping experience. For example, retail companies like Ikea have implemented VR technology to allow customers to try on various products virtually, which not only improves convenience but also reduces product return rates and increases customer satisfaction (Prima Luhur Pambudi et al., 2023). Research shows that an interactive and immersive shopping experience can increase customer loyalty, as customers feel more engaged and satisfied with their experience (Thakur, 2019; Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023).

In addition, companies also need to innovate in providing integrated digital channels and interaction points. The use of mobile apps, chatbots, and interactive kiosks allows customers to interact with the company anytime and anywhere, which increases the convenience and ease of transacting. The integration of these digital channels contributes to a better customer experience, which in turn can strengthen the relationship between the company and the customer. Research shows that a positive customer experience through multiple channels can increase customer satisfaction and loyalty, which is a key factor in business success in the digital age. (Felix & Moon, 2023; Zariman et al., 2023; Urdea & Constantin, 2021; Ahmad et al., 2022; Vatsa et al., 2023; Guo et al., 2023)

It's also important for companies to keep experimenting and learning from customer feedback. In this way, companies can create new innovations that suit the ever-changing needs and preferences of customers. The ability to adapt and innovate continuously has proven to be an important factor in creating customer loyalty. Research shows that companies that are able to integrate customer feedback into their strategies can create a more satisfying customer experience, which ultimately improves customer loyalty and retention (Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023; Yosephine Simanjuntak & Ancient, 2020; Pasaribu et al., 2022; Kurniadi & Rana, 2023; Yang & Lee, 2022)

4. CONCLUSION

In the context of an increasingly dynamic digital world, the role of customer experience has become a very crucial catalyst in building customer loyalty and customer satisfaction. The integration of a comprehensive customer experience, supported by a deep understanding of customers, continuous innovation, and the use of digital technologies, enables the creation of more meaningful interactions and significantly increases customer engagement. Thus, companies can build strong and

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mutually beneficial long-term relationships with customers, which ultimately positively impacts business performance in the competitive digital age.

To maintain competitiveness in an ever-changing market, companies must continuously deepen their understanding of customers, both in terms of their needs, preferences, and behaviors. In addition, the development of innovations that focus on customer experience is key, supported by the use of advanced digital technology. By maintaining a strong focus on customer experience, companies can achieve a sustainable competitive advantage and achieve greater success in the face of the ever-evolving challenges of the digital age. Research shows that companies that are responsive to customer needs and able to innovate in their experience will be more successful in retaining customers (Chaudhary & Gupta, 2023)

This study shows that investing in customer experience is a very valuable strategy for companies to increase customer loyalty and customer satisfaction in the digital world. A positive customer experience can increase satisfaction, which in turn has a direct effect on customer loyalty. This includes the speed of service, ease of interaction, and the ability to effectively meet customer needs.(Tzavlopoulos et al., 2019)(Urdea & Constantin, 2021)

From these positive customer experiences, trust can be gained by customers. Customer trust in the company is an important predictor of customer loyalty. When customers feel safe and trust the company, they are more likely to remain loyal and recommend the product or service to others(Zariman et al., 2023).

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