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Abstract. In this new era when consumers will buy fashion products, they will certainly consider choosing one of the available shopping places. The presence of the internet has led to the emergence of new shopping patterns namely online stores and its existence will surely disrupt the offline store market. In this research, it will examine the priority of consumers' shopping choices in buying fashion products, whether they choose to shop in offline or online stores, and also the reasons that consumers consider in choosing a place to shop. This qualitative study will distribute questionnaires to 154 respondents to make choices in deciding to shop for their fashion products in an offline or online store and reason for their priority consideration in choosing where to shop. The results showed that consumers' decisions to shop for fashion products in Indonesia are still many who choose to shop in offline stores, and from the order of their priorities in choosing where to shop based on risk, trust, perceived ease of use, benefit and perceived usefulness. The order was taken into consideration by consumers in choosing where to shop.

Keywords: Perceived usefulness, perceived Ease of use, Trust, Risk, Benefit

Introduction

In the development of the current era the birth of new information technology is called the internet. The presence of the internet has changed all activities which in the end can facilitate human activities. A new era has come and it is inevitable that technological developments will surely change the business map. One well-known model of change is the trade model. Today's world development and changing very quickly when an internet technology begins to develop rapidly, increasing from the first internet to all alternative new concepts which are a discovery and breakthrough new things to continue to make things easier which ultimately aims to facilitate all activities in human life will continue to be created (Suleman, 2018). Offline market or retail seller who sells goods and services physically by opening a shop and displaying their goods and services directly we have long known so far with existing shopping methods where consumers and traders meet to transact. When this must fight with a new transaction method or concept which is often called an online store, the emergence of this
online shop is based on the use of information technology to make transaction activities easier and faster and can be done anywhere. This condition gave rise to the term designation of new marketing methods for marketers or companies in marketing their products, namely as marketing, they would carry out their marketing activities between two places or one place or called brick and click (Kacen, Hess, & Chiang, 2013).

Indonesia with a large population is a large market potential which has so far only been an alternative place of shopping to become another option that is currently trending in this era, namely online stores. With a large population making the opportunity itself, especially in Southeast Asia, this could occur because of the possibility of migration from increasing internet users in Indonesia which is a gateway for consumers to transact online. Data shows that the increase in internet users every year, has increased from data shows that internet users until 2012 numbered approximately 2.41 billion users worldwide. This number represents around 34.3% of the total world population. Internet users are widespread nowadays because this internet technology is used for all human activities and in all its advancements, the internet not only has a revolutionary impact on people's lives, but also its impact on business operations (Al-Debei, Akroush, & Mohamed Ibrahim Ashouri, 2015). And other indicators that can be used as a reference that Indonesia is a large market is the growth of smartphone users and the like which is an important part to be able to transact online (Julianti, 2017).

The era of online marketing exists and arises because of internet technology infrastructure that can connect people around the world, so people can share knowledge and information both through e-mail media, digital publications, shopping, looking for news and so on (Wong, 2017). One of the things that is changing is in the business model, especially the transaction system that used to only recognize offline transactions, we present a new method called online transactions. Online transactions are transactions that do not occur due to face-to-face because consumers' need for information can be done with gadgets and other devices to be able to find information on goods and services needed by consumers so that consumers can better understand products and services and can decide for their purchasing decisions comparing between buying at offline stores and online stores (Chin-Lung Hsu, Judy Chuan-Chuan Lin, 2013). Besides that online shopping has its own advantages and benefits (Liu, M., Chu, Wong, & Zúñiga, 2012). Advantages of shopping online First, it allows consumers to buy products and services anytime 24 hours and wherever they are as long as they have an internet network. Second, online shopping can save consumers money, effort and time when buying products or services. For example, a comparison between producers and online then the price for certain products can be easily and efficiently if shopping online. Online shops are conducting trade or business transactions using internet media and other devices (Laudon, Kenneth C; Laudon, 2012). Online stores in this case refer to the use of the Internet and other networks (intranets) that carry out buyers, sell, transport, or trade data, goods, or services (Turban, E; Whiteside, J; King, D; Outland, 2017). It can be called a business innovation today that involves non-physical or electronic interactions, and maintenance of business relationships through sharing information and knowledge (Awa, Hart Okorie; Ojiabo, Ojiabo Ukoha; Emecheta, 2015). The question arises whether with the ease and excellence of the existing online stores will make consumers always and decide to shop at online stores and forget the old way of shopping by shopping at offline stores.

The behavior of a consumer is not easy to infer and predict, this is where an important role for marketers to study their perceptions, preferences, and behavior in shopping (Nitisusastro, 2012). One form of consumer behavior is the desire to buy a product or service. Buying interest is the stage of the respondent's tendency to act before the buying decision is actually implemented into a buying decision. Buying interest is related to feelings and
emotions, if someone is happy and satisfied in buying a product, it will strengthen the buying decision in (Sangadji, 2013). Consumer behavior is the study of how individuals, groups, and organizations choose, buy, use, and dispose of goods, services, ideas, or experiences to meet their needs and desires (Kotler, Phillip; Keller, 2016). This is where we will examine how consumers from the internal side of consumer attitudes will prefer shopping for fashion products in offline stores or in online stores.

Attitude is an enduring organization which includes processes of motivation, emotions, perception and cognitive relating to several aspects of our environment. Then the attitude of choosing can be interpreted as a way for someone to think, feel, and act on several aspects of his environment, such as choosing an offline or online store, television program or product (Hawkins, Del.L; Mothersbaugh, 2013). Humans behave or do activities because there is a need to achieve a goal. With the need for motivation or mobilization will emerge. So that individuals will be active to achieve goals and experience satisfaction. (Notoatmodjo, 2003). There are at least 3 levels of behavioral areas namely knowledge, attitude and action or practice. Forming consumer attitudes to shop for shopping choices consists of two variables perceived usefulness and perceived ease of use and trust (Suleman, Zuniarti, & Sabil, 2019). And it has also been investigated that consumer attitudes in choosing can also be influenced by risk (Suleman, Ali, Nusraningrum, & Ali, 2019). Or according to (Al-Debei et al., 2015) consumer attitudes choose because of the benefit or enjoyment factor offered from the store and choose to shop at one of the stores of choice for consumers in shopping for fashion products. In choosing to shop between in offline stores or online stores, of course there are several considerations made by consumers, among others, they will choose according to choices in themselves arising from how these predictors affect consumers and what is most important that is considered by each consumer.

**Material And Methods Conclusion**

Researchers try to examine what variables are the first and last order in the priority of consumer attitudes in choosing where to shop offline or online. And also on the other hand that is a barrier or concern for consumers in deciding to shop at one of these stores. Therefore a survey was conducted on 154 consumer respondents with age criteria ranging from 17 years and over and had already made a purchase of fashion products both offline or online. And in the end you will be able to see the percentage of factors that influence the attitude of consumers during the decision before choosing to shop in an offline store or in an online store. By looking at consumers' decisions when shopping for fashion products, they would prefer to shop in an offline or online shop.
Results And Discussion

Samples are selected based on specific criteria found in the population. The criteria used include: consumers shopping decisions online fashion products, respondents with ages starting 17 years and have never made a purchase of fashion products either offline or online. Table 1 summarizes the demographics of respondents from the descriptive analysis of this study as follows:

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Based on the results of the analysis it was found that respondents, 35.1 percent were men and 64.9 percent were women, 43.5 percent were under 21 years old and 44.2 percent were aged between 22-41 and 12.3 percent aged over 42 years; the percentage of respondents 56.5 percent had a high school education and 21.4 percent had a Diploma / Bachelor’s degree and the remaining 22.1 percent had a graduate degree, while judging by the choice of fashion product shopping places the respondents found that 66.2 percent chose shopping at online stores and 33.8 percent chose shopping at stores offline.

The data above shows the unexpected results of researchers where Indonesian consumers in choosing places to shop especially fashion products still believe more in offline stores as their place of shopping in the sense of the presence of online stores with all kinds of advantages yet to attract consumers to decide to shop for fashion products in stores online. Because especially in fashion products, there are things that cannot be fulfilled by online stores on the needs of consumers in the consideration of buying decisions, among others: can not try the product first because in the purchase of fashion products, greater emotions that influence buying decisions. This can be interpreted and translated further in the discussion of this study later what is considered why consumers still prefer to shop at offline stores.

This gender data shows that women are very selective in choosing where to shop, especially for fashion products. In terms of shopping women have many of their personal considerations. The conclusion is that female consumers play an important role in making decisions about where to shop and make up the largest percentage of the consumer population.

The age in this study shows that millennials are only partially comfortable adapting online shopping methods and others are still using comparing old shopping methods in
offline stores and occasionally trying to shop online. Because the data shows that the combination of gen X generation aged over 42 years and millennial generation 22-41 this year is a lot, but the conclusion is that there are still many who choose to shop at offline stores. That should be if the current millennial generation has migrated to an online store then the end result will show that online stores are preferred in shopping for fashion products. Because the generation under 21 is called Generari Z or Linkster, of course, choose to shop at online stores because in the era of those born and raised by technology, it has become comfortable with what is offered by the current changes. But in this case still the final decision was also obtained that offline stores became the main choice of shopping. This situation could be concluded that indeed in selling fashion products what became the advantages of offline stores could not be replaced. Age is not a certainty that generation Z will definitely choose to shop at online stores even though generations in daily activities always use technology but cannot change their decision in choosing where to shop.

Next will discuss what factors are considered by consumers in deciding on choosing a shopping place. Certainly every decision of consumers has a basis for consideration in this case one of the basics is the attitude of consumers or consideration of the data from within the consumer over various alternatives and calculate profits. This loss for each place to shop, which in turn led to a decision where to shop for their fashion products. In this study we discuss personal consumer attitudes about how decisions are made. In Figure 1 illustrates the magnitude of the percentage of variables that marketers need to pay attention to in terms of changing consumer decisions later on in choosing where to shop can be seen as follows:

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In figure 1 can be seen several variables of consumer attitudes examined in this study include Perceived usefulness, perceived ease of use, trust, risk and benefit. It can be seen above that it turns out that risk factors are still the most considered factors of consumers in deciding to choose a place to shop because the risk of 35.7 percent or 55
respondents think about risk as the most important thing in the transaction. This relates to the security of money and also the goods that they will get in accordance with the money paid because consumers cannot directly touch and feel the products sold through online stores.

Furthermore, the second big variable that consumers consider is trust being a priority for 39 respondents or 25.3 percent. Relating to risk, of course trust is another factor that makes the transaction happen because in this sophisticated era with information technology the current type of crime is also increasing which will make consumers suffer losses when they trust online retailers who have no good intention in making transactions. So choosing an offline store as a shopping place is a wise decision in the transaction according to most respondents. But in the future also with the improvement of online stores and the growth of new concepts such as market places will make consumers more trustful of online stores. But another thing that is considered is the issue of the quality of products purchased by consumers currently can not believe in what is displayed needs to also feel and touch directly the fashion products they will buy so that the choice of offline stores is the right thing to meet consumer expectations in addition to being able to see, try and touch can also directly transact with sellers so that consumers trust more.

In the third place chosen by 25 respondents or equivalent to 16.2% percent, the consumers' consideration is related to the perceived ease of use of this factor about how the ease of access that consumers get in shopping for fashion products. This convenience relates to how to transact in this case offline stores are considered easier in the shopping process and not too complicated the process without the need to go through several stages of being able to direct transactions and communication with sellers. Furthermore, for the benefits prioritized by 20 respondents or equal to 12.9 percent of consumers have thoughts about what is offered by each store and compared then concluded. Even though there are many advantages offered by online stores, according to the respondents, it was concluded that in this study the advantages of offline stores are more than online stores. This can be seen from the respondents of this study, more and more decided to shop for their fashion products through an offline store.

And finally 15 respondents or equal to 9.7% have priority on perceived usefulness. Consumers see a comparison of ways to shop which is more effective and efficient in shopping. Online stores that have better functions and offer new ways of shopping still cannot beat the old shopping methods in offline stores because consumers still think that the use of offline stores is still superior.

**Conclusion**

The conclusion of this study is the first that it turns out that respondents taken in this study stated that especially in shopping for fashion products they prefer to shop offline in shopping for fashion products. This certainly cannot be used as a guideline because this research cannot represent in terms of sample, but at least it makes a separate picture that the presence of online stores does not necessarily take consumers back to offline stores again. shopping places are constituted by internal stimuli one of its attitudes towards existing shopping places. The advantages offered by offline stores are still attractive to consumers in terms of when they shop for fashion products they can
touch, feel and try first so they can be more confident in choosing the product, which is not yet owned by online stores that only present information and images that may be perceived and the expectations of each consumer differ on what is displayed and written by the online store seller.

Certainly not necessarily consumers choose without reason in this study also discussed it turns out there are several factors of consumer attitudes that become the priority of each consumer in choosing where to shop. And it can be concluded that risk and trust are the most considered factors in consumers shopping whether it is in an offline or online store. And this is a concern for marketers in this case it can be concluded that it turns out that the existing online stores are still considered to have a high risk to transact and also consumers have not had high trust in online stores. And they still have high trust in offline stores because shopping there has a low risk.

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