**The battle of Brain vs. Heart: A literature review and meta-analysis of “hedonic motivation” use in UTAUT2**

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**Abstract**

Much of the scholarly debate on the extrinsic-intrinsic motivation dichotomy to date has focused on organisational context. However, the recent upsurge of technology use amongst individuals in non-organisational context has led to consumer-focused research model such as extended unified theory of acceptance and use of technology (UTAUT2). The objective of this study is to bring back much needed focus on motivation dichotomy from the consumer perspective. This involved a systematic review and meta-analysis of *hedonic motivation* an affective construct in UTAUT2 studies. The findings from 79 UTAUT2 empirical studies revealed that only 46 studies (58%) utilised *hedonic motivation* while the remaining 33 studies (42%) omitted the construct. Extrinsic motivation was the major driver of non-hedonic and non-significant hedonic motivation studies with individuals using technologies for utilitarian outcomes. Unlike UTAUT2, moderators association of hedonic motivation were non-significant in determining consumer intention to use technology. The findings also revealed an important association between *hedonic motivation* and *effort expectancy*, in addition to fruitful directions for research and practice.

**Keywords:** Meta-analysis, hedonic motivation, intrinsic motivation, UTAUT2, citation analysis

1. **Introduction**

Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) were mostly available only to the organisational users of technology up until the end of the 20th century. Extrinsic motivation was the primary driver of individual technology adoption in mandatory settings such as organisations in order to improve the performance of underlying task. Extrinsic motivation refers to performance of activities in order to achieve some objective distinct from the activity itself (Deci & Ryan, 1980). Such instances of extrinsic motivation include but not limited to the use of smartphones to purchase goods and services through mobile commerce (Dwivedi et al., 2014) and accessing Internet to avail services such as e-government (e.g., Singh et al., 2017, 2019; Singh et al., 2018). In addition, individuals perform certain activity for the activity itself, to experience pleasure and satisfaction inherent to the activity. This second type of motivation is termed as intrinsic motivation (Deci & Ryan, 1980). The popular technology acceptance research models such as: Davis's (1989) technology acceptance model (TAM) and Venkatesh et al.'s (2003) unified theory of acceptance and use of technology (UTAUT) found perceived usefulness/performance expectancy attribute to explain most of the variance in individual technology adoption decision. Perceived usefulness explains “the degree to which a person believes that using a particular system would enhance his or her job performance” (Davis, 1989, p.320). This underscores the dominant paradigm of extrinsic motivation in individual technology acceptance research.

The 21st century witnessed unprecedented growth of mobile phone adoption with 5 billion unique mobile subscribers in 2017; mobile phones became the highest scale of consumer technology representing two thirds of the global population (Gsmaintelligence, 2017). This rapid explosion of mobile phones in combination with wider Internet penetration took ICT that was mostly available only to organisational users in the previous century to consumers. Notwithstanding the productive use of technologies, hedonic use of technologies started to gain prominence such as playing computer games, streaming music, and instant messaging to name a few (Hampton-Sosa, 2017; Makki et al., 2018; Venkatesh & Brown, 2001). In line with emerging technology users, Venkatesh et al. (2012) extended the UTAUT model to consumer context with three new constructs: *hedonic motivation*, *price value*, and *habit* emphasising on hedonic value (intrinsic motivation) of consumers. Despite its recent introduction in 2012, UTAUT2 has already garnered more than 3,000 citations in Google Scholar alone spanning from information systems (IS) field and beyond emphasising on its predictive ability (Tamilmani et al., 2018a).

Hedonic motivation is considered as the most important theoretical addition to the UTAUT2 as it integrated the much-needed affective component into largely cognition based UTAUT. It shifted the focus from extrinsic motivation of organisational users to intrinsic motivation of consumer technologies. “Hedonic motivation” is defined as the fun or pleasure derived from using technology and it is an important determinant of consumer’s technology acceptance and use (Alalwan, 2018; Baabdullah et al., 2019; Brown & Venkatesh, 2005; Hamari & Koivisto, 2015; Shareef et al., 2017; Shaw & Sergueeva, 2019). This study represents *hedonic motivation* as an umbrella term to include similar constructs such as: *hedonic expectancy* (Ahn et al., 2016), *perceived enjoyment* ( e.g., Anandarajan et al., 2002; Gao et al., 2015a), and *perceived playfulness* (Robin et al., 2016) in UTAUT2 based studies. However, previous research found the scarce use of UTAUT2 model on its entirety with a rare inclusion of moderators in the research model. Meta-analysis on UTAUT2 based empirical studies found that only 41% studies included *price value* and a meagre 35% studies included *habit* in their research often yielding inconsistent results (see Tamilmani et al., 2018c; 2018d). Hedonic motivation is not an exception to this trend; while hedonic motivation was found to be a significant predicator of mobile TV (Wong et al., 2014) and Instagram (Järvinen et al., 2016), it was found to be a non-significant predictor of mobile payments (Oliveira et al., 2016; Slade et al., 2015a). This is perennial problem in information systems (IS) discipline, as researchers often find inconsistent results for the same research question (i.e. understanding individual technology adoption). IS discipline is not alone in facing this research problem, other mature research streams such as social sciences reported similar inconsistencies. However, in comparison to social and behavioural sciences; IS researchers scarcely employ meta-analysis – a quantitative literature synthesis technique used in mature research streams for knowledge accumulation through integration of results from findings of previous studies (Glass, 1976; King & He, 2005). In addition to meta-analysis, researchers have also employed weight-analysis and systematic literature review techniques for literature synthesis in the past ( e.g., Ismagilova et al., 2016, 2017; Kapoor et al., 2017; Tamilmani et al., 2018b, 2018e; Williams et al., 2015).

The preceding discussion underscores the centrality of three major things. First, UTAUT2 as most comprehensive theory in understanding individual technology adoption and use. Second, *hedonic motivation* as an important theoretical addition to UTAUT2 shifting the focus from extrinsic motivation as a dominant paradigm of technology adoption research to intrinsic motivation. Third, meta-analysis technique as a tool to shed light on operationalisation of established theoretical models through collation, analysis and synthesis of existing research findings. Our extant literature review suggests, existing research on the dichotomous nature of motivation (extrinsic and intrinsic) focused on the explanation of predictive ability of constructs perceived usefulness/performance expectancy and perceived/hedonic enjoyment in their research (Davis et al., 1992; Van der Heijden, 2004) or proposed a new model integrating the elements of affect and cognition (Kulviwat et al., 2007). However, none of these studies conducted meta-analysis to synthesise the existing literature to provide boundary conditions on the usage of *hedonic motivation construct*. Thus, the aim of this study is to fulfil this research gap and conduct a meta-analysis of studies that have used UTAUT2’s additional constructs in their research. In doing so, this study attempts to understand the various associations of hedonic motivation attribute, their significance and non-significance to provide suitable boundary conditions for future researchers on operationalisation ofthe construct. In order to fulfil the objective of the study, it is necessary to undertake following steps:

* Locate studies that used UTAUT2 model as the underpinning theory and excluded *hedonic motivation* in their research model and reason for exclusion.
* Identify various antecedents and dependant variables of *hedonic motivation* to evaluate their significance and non-significance.
* Conduct meta-analysis of the empirical studies to understand the convergence and divergence of various hedonic motivation related relationships and their performance.

The remaining sections of this paper are structured as follows: The following Section 2 reviews existing research on *hedonic motivation* concerning individual technology adoption. Section 3 describes the research method employed leading to the meta-analysis and narrative review of UTAUT2 empirical studies in Section 4. The subsequent section (i.e. Section 5) presents discussion, implications for theory and practice. Finally, the paper ends with conclusion, limitations and future research directions in Section 6.

1. **Related work**

Researchers found motivation of individuals to perform an activity was of dichotomous nature namely extrinsic and intrinsic motivation (Deci & Ryan, 1980; Vallerand, 1997). During the early stages of computer evolution, the scholarly debate in IS discipline was mostly focused on the extrinsic motivation of individuals and their intention to use computer tools for productivity gains. However, intrinsic motivation found itself a role in technology acceptance when Carroll and Thomas (1988), found fun/enjoyment as key underlying factor in user acceptance of Macintosh operated Apple Lisa computer. This claim was consistent with industry survey finding that found Macintosh computers to be rated more enjoyable to use than MS-DOS computers (Inc, 1988). Research of Davis et al. (1992) on two application such as: word processing software and business graphic program was the first exhaustive study to examine the effects of usefulness and enjoyment on computers usage in workplace. Their research found that the effect of usefulness was approximately four to five times greater in determining user intentions for both applications. In addition, the study found a positive interaction effect between *enjoyment* and *usefulness*. The results suggest that making the system more enjoyable would increase the level of acceptance of systems that are perceived more useful/productive but will have less effect on acceptance of systems that are *perceived less useful*. In other words, the effect of *enjoyment* on user acceptance of system is high for system with high-perceived usefulness and vice-versa (Davis et al., 1992).

The role of *perceived usefulness* as dominant predictor of information systems acceptance is not universal. Researchers have reported numerous expectations to this pattern where *perceived enjoyment* and *ease of use* played dominant role in user acceptance of information systems in home or leisure environment, games and game-based training of work-related environment diminishing the role of perceived usefulness. The research of Van der Heijden (2004) aimed to demonstrate this phenomenon of differences in user acceptance of technology between productivity-oriented and pleasure oriented information systems in non-work environment. He argued while the dominant design objective of a utilitarian system was productive use; the objective of hedonic system is to encourage prolonged use. The reason being, perceived usefulness plays prominent role in utilitarian systems than ease of system use, as system interaction is subordinate to achievement of external goals. Whereas, in hedonic systems, achievement of external goals is subordinate to the system interaction, making the role of ease of system use more central than perceived usefulness. Based on the preceding discussion, for hedonic systems Van der Heijden (2004) hypothesised *perceived enjoyment* and *perceived ease of use* as stronger predictors of *behavioural intention to use* a system than *perceived usefulness*. His study on 1,144 Dutch movie website users found both *perceived enjoyment* and *perceived ease of use* to have twice as much as predictive power in explaining consumer *intention to use* the websites than *perceived usefulness*. This research underscores the role of hedonic information systems as an important boundary condition in technology acceptance arena.

1. **Research method**

This study deemed an integrated approach of “narrative review”, “citation reference search” and “meta-analysis” as appropriate to synthesise research findings from UTAUT2 based studies ( e.g., Dwivedi et al,, 2017; King & He, 2006; Venkatesh et al., 2016; Zhao et al., 2017). Meta-analysis is an advanced form of secondary analysis that enables researchers to establish true effect size of various path relationships through advanced statistical techniques. It facilitates discovery of new knowledge from otherwise undetectable isolated parcels of data scattered amongst individual “primary” studies (Dwivedi et al., 2017; Field, 2001; Grinstein, 2008; Schmidt, 1992; Wu & Du, 2012). Researchers conduct meta-analysis usually on either a fixed effects basis or random effects basis. The “fixed effect” meta-analysis model considers effect size to be as is for all studies in the population representing a “homogenous” case. In contrast, “random effects” basis considers individual studies in meta-analysis as part of large population of studies on a given topic. “Random effect” models for meta-analysis is preferred over “fixed effect” models as the later overstate the degree of precision in meta-analysis findings (Hunter & Schmidt, 2000). Moreover, the random effect model allows researchers to make generalization about the research domain as a whole without restricting the findings only to studies involved in meta-analysis and considered more realistic (Field, 2001). This study employed random effect model of meta-analysis based on the above discussion for its advantages over the fixed-effect model.

**3.1 Sample**

This study employed cited reference search for Venkatesh et al.'s (2012) article in Scopus and Web of Science databases to locate studies needed for the meta-analysis. The search conducted from March 2012 to March 2017 period returned 1,320 results in total (823 from Scopus; 497 from Web of Science). On further inspection, the study found that 452 citations were common between both databases resulting in 868 unique citations. The next step involved checking for fully downloadable articles reducing the number to 650. Out of 650 studies, a meagre 147 utilized at least one UTAUT2 additional construct; the remaining 503 articles just citied UTAUT2 for generic reasons (see Tamilmani et al., 2017 for review). The flowchart in Figure 1 depicts systematic process followed to arrive at final studies needed for meta-analysis.

**Cited reference search for Venkatesh, Thong, and Xu (2012) in Web of Science and Scopus**

**Search period: March 2012 to March 2017**

**Unique citations: 868**

**Total citations: 1320**

**(823 Scopus: 823; Web of Science: 497**)

**Remove Duplicates** Duplication

**Scopus: 371**

**Common: 452**

**Web of Science: 45**

**: 371**

**Fully downloaded articles: 650**

**General citations: 503**

**UTAUT2 Utilisation: 147**

**Non-quantitative studies: 68**

**Quantitative studies: 79**

**Hedonic motivation studies: 46**

**Non-hedonic motivation studies: 33**

**Did studies use UTAUT2 constructs?**

**Are studies quantitative?**

**Did studies use hedonic motivation construct?**

**No**

**No**

**Yes**

**No**

**Yes**

**Yes**

**Access Articles**

**Figure 1:** Systematic review flowchart

**3.2 Coding**

The selection of the final studies for meta-analysis from the pool of 147 involved deployment of standardized coding rules. In order to be eligible for meta-analysis the studies have to fulfil the following three major criteria: First, they are UTAUT2 based quantitative empirical studies employing at least one UTAUT2 additional construct; Second, studies should have reported correlation matrix with Pearson correlation (r) or other statistics that may be converted to Pearson correlation (r) (see Wu & Lederer, 2009), and finally, the studies should have reported data for sample size and the path coefficients (standardized) (β) for their various path relationships (King & He, 2006; Rana et al., 2015). In order to ensure only unique studies are included for meta-analysis, data from each study was checked to avoid duplication of studies using the same data for articles and conference proceedings. In cases where researchers used the same data for more than one study, only one study was included for final analysis (Ma & Liu, 2004; Wu & Du, 2012). On the other hand, if researchers reported multiple datasets in the same study, each of the datasets were included for analysis and treated as an independent study. This method of treatment is appropriate and does not violate any assumptions of meta-analysis (Hunter et al., 1982; Wu & Du, 2012). The implementation of rules found only 79 studies were eligible to perform meta-analysis out of 147 studies. The remaining 68 studies are discarded from the scope of this research as they were neither empirical in nature nor did they report relevant data for meta-analysis.

* 1. **Analysis**

The process started with screening of79 UTAUT2 based empirical studies to check the inclusion of ‘hedonic motivation’ construct in their research model.This resulted in the classification of 79 UTAUT2 studies broadly into two categories. The first category, “*non-hedonic motivation studies”* comprised of 33 studies that excluded hedonic motivation construct to include other UTAUT2 additional constructs such as price value or/and habit in their research model. The remaining 46 studies used hedonic motivation construct to form the second category, *hedonic motivation studies* and qualified for meta-analysis. This study conducted meta-analysis on “random effect basis” using comprehensive software downloaded from the www.meta-analysis.com website. The underlying assumption was that the individual studies were random samples taken from population with varying effect sizes such that the overall results is generalizable across the domain. In doing so, meta-analysis assumptions have incorporated both within-study and between study variance to provide more conservative significance test result (King & He, 2006). Finally, this study performed meta-analysis on the collected data to determine cumulative value of path coefficients (β) for various antecedents and dependent variables of hedonic motivation to determine significance and effect size of various path relationships.

1. **Findings**

The following sections present findings from literature synthesis and meta-analysis on both non-hedonic motivation (33 studies) and hedonic motivation (46 studies) categories.

**4.1 Review of non-hedonic motivation studies**

The non-hedonic motivation studies category comprising 33 studies constitute 42% of the total 79 UTAUT2 studies that excluded *hedonic motivation* in their research model. In terms of outcome variables, behavioral intention (BI) was the most operated construct representing 23 non-hedonic motivation studies encompassing 70%. Use behaviour emerged as the distant second most operated outcome variable of non-hedonic motivation category representing meagre 18% with just six studies. The remaining four non-hedonic motivation studies comprising 12% employed new outcome variables such as: 1) Consumerisation (CN) of IT (Dernbecher et al., 2013), 2) Location disclosure on location based social networking applications (Koohikamali et al., 2015), 3) Disclosure of information about others in social network sites (Koohikamali et al., 2017) and 4) Job seeker unemployment duration (Huang & Chuang, 2016).

The next stage-involved classification of 33 non-hedonic motivation studies into seven major themes based on three parameters: type of technology examined, task performed and motivation type of users in performing their activity. Financial technologies (Fintech) emerged as the topmost research theme representing 10 studies as depicted in Appendix A. Fintech refers to the design and delivery of financial products though technology (Leong et al., 2017; Martins et al., 2014). Mobile payments with six examinations under Fintech theme emerged as the most examined technology type across all seven themes. The next five themes with their corresponding number of examinations are as follows: 1) User generated communities (UGC) – five studies, 2) Mobile technologies – four studies, 3) Education – three studies, 4) E-government, and 5) Entertainment two studies each. The final theme “others” comprised of seven studies that could not be readily classified under any of the above six categories with instances ranging from consumer use of biometric e-gates in airports (Morosan, 2016) to developers software reuse adoption (Cvijikj et al., 2015) to name a few.

Users performed 15 unique tasks while accessing range of technologies across the 33 non-hedonic motivation studies. Users “Conducting financial transactions” for various banking activities spread across ten studies emerged as the most performed task. “Content creation and sharing” in social networking sites/communities became the second most performed task with five studies. Users of three studies performed “service interactions” to emerge as the third popular task. The fourth position was jointly shared by three tasks such as: “listening to music”, “accessing government services”, and “learning” with two examinations each. Finally there were nine other tasks such as “commuting”, “reading” and “searching for jobs” to name a few that were performed on one instance each as depicted in Appendix A. In terms of motivation of individuals to perform various tasks extrinsic motivation emerged as the major driver among 24 non-hedonic motivation studies comprising staggering 73% with just the remaining nine studies constituting 27% driven by intrinsic motivation.

**4.2 Reason for studies not using hedonic motivation**

This section presents the findings and plausible explanation for the 33 studies that adapted UTAUT2 as underpinning theory, however excluded hedonic motivation construct from their final research model in detail along with instances of quotes from actual studies in *italics*. Four categories emerged as reason for studies that excluded hedonic motivation construct from their research model as depicted in Table 1.

**4.2.1 Use of alternate model**

Kourouthanassis et al. (2015) in their pursuit to study effect of tourist’s emotional states towards adoption of mobile augmented reality travel guides excluded hedonic motivation and integrated UTAUT2 with Pleasure, Arousal and Dominance (PAD) model.

**4.2.2 Recommended for future use**

Qasim and Abu-Shanab (2016), in their quest to explore drivers of consumer mobile payment acceptance in Jordan recommended use of *hedonic motivation* in future research. The following reason is stated in their study:

*“…It is important also to consider the proposition of the UTAUT 2 in the Jordanian environment, which was proposed by Venkatesh et al. (2012) and included predictors like hedonic motivation, price value and habit”* (Qasim & Abu-Shanab, 2016, p. 1031)

**4.2.3 Out of scope**

Mahfuz et al.'s (2016) research on influence of cultural dimensions and website quality on consumer’s mobile banking adoption excluded habit and hedonic motivation construct in their research model stating the following reason:

*“In this study, author omitted hedonic motivation and habit from the conceptual mode due not directly related to the mobile banking adoption” (Mahfuz et al., 2016, p. 432)*

**4.2.4 No reason**

The majority of non-hedonic motivation studies as much as 30 studies encompassing 91% excluded *hedonic motivation* from their research model without providing any reason. Thus making “No Reason” as the most popular category. Such instances include range of studies from consumers intention to adopt Internet banking (Chaouali et al., 2016) to teachers’ participation in virtual communities (Nistor et al., 2014) to mention a few.

**Table 1:** Reason for studies not using hedonic motivation construct

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Category Type** | **Frequency** | **Description** | **Example Citation(s)** |
| 1. Use of alternative model | 1 | This study employed pleasure, arousal, Dominance model to evaluate consumer’s emotional states holistically while performing tasks enabled through technology. | Kourouthanassis et al. (2015a) |
| 2. Recommended for future use | 1 | This study recommended use of hedonic motivation construct in future studies | Qasim and Abu-Shanab (2016) |
| 3. Out of scope | 1 | This study excluded hedonic motivation since the researchers deemed the construct is not related to technology under investigation | Mahfuz et al. (2016) |
| 4. No reason | 30 | These studies did not provide any reason for excluding hedonic motivation construct from their research model | Chaouali et al. (2016) ; Nistor et al. (2014) |

**4.3 Review of studies using hedonic motivation construct**

Forty-six studies included hedonic motivation construct from UTAUT2 in their research model comprising 58% of the total 79 UTAUT2 studies. Unlike majority of the non-hedonic motivation studies that hypothesized BI as outcome variable, in case of hedonic motivation studies; Use behavior (e.g. Alalwan et al., 2017; Raman & Don, 2013) emerged as the most operationalized outcome variable with 25 examinations. Nevertheless, behavioral intention (e.g. Slade et al., 2015a; Wong et al., 2014) was not far behind with 20 studies employing BI as their outcome variable. In addition, BI acted as mediating variable of hedonic motivation to use behavior in all the 25 studies. The final hedonic motivation study Buettner (2016) introduced new outcome variable “Job offer success” for the first time to measure individuals’ job search behavior in career oriented social networking sites. Table 2 summarizes the path relationships among various dependant, independent and moderating variables of 46 ‘hedonic motivation’ studies along with their significance and non-significance. It also reveals that hedonic motivation not only served as an antecedent, but also got antecedents on its own serving as dependant variables on six instances.

**4.3.1 Hedonic motivation as an antecedent**

Over the span of 46 studies, *hedonic motivation* served as an antecedent of 10 unique dependant variables in understanding individual adoption to range of technologies. It served mostly as antecedent of BI with 53 examinations. The number of examinations is greater than number of studies because on few instances, researchers collected data from three different countries (Bangladesh, USA and Canada) such as Dwivedi et al., (2016) to develop generalised adoption model for citizens’ mobile health; On such instances each dataset was treated as separate examination for meta-analysis purpose. Out of 53 examinations, the path relationship HM🡪BI was found significant on 43 instances (e.g. Baptista et al., 2017; Baptista & Oliveira, 2015) and non-significant on the remaining ten instances (Oliveira et al., 2016; Slade et al., 2015a). *Hedonic motivation* served as antecedent of performance expectancy (PE) on three instances (Alalwan et al., 2016; Koenig-Lewis, Marquet, Palmer, & Zhao, 2015; Robin et al., 2016) and effort expectancy (EE) on two instances (Koenig-Lewis et al., 2015; Robin et al., 2016) making them second and third most popular dependant variables. Overall, the path relationships between HM🡪PE and HM🡪EE were significant on all the five instances.

Hedonic motivation served as an antecedent of seven variables on one instance each and found to be significant on all seven instances. The seven dependant variables are: 1) Use behaviour (Lallmahomed et al., 2013), 2) Habit (Herrero & San Martín, 2017), 3) Price value (Alalwan et al., 2016), 4) Trust (Alalwan et al., 2015), 5) Subjective norm (Robin et al., 2016), 6) Perceived advantages (Escobar-Rodrguez et al., 2014) and 7) Perceived risk (Koenig-Lewis et al., 2015). The variables such as age, gender, experience, collectivism (COL) and long-term orientation (LTO) moderated the HM🡪BI path relationship in five different combinations. HM🡪BI (Gender) was the most examined moderator relationship with four examinations comprising equally two significant (Baptista et al., 2017; Ramantoko et al., 2015) and non-significant studies (Ramírez-Correa et al., 2014; Wong et al., 2014). Whereas, the second most examined moderator relationships HM🡪BI (Age) with three examinations was found significant only once (Baptista et al., 2017) and non-significant on other two instances (Ramantoko et al., 2015; Ramírez-Correa et al., 2014). The remaining three moderator relationships HM🡪BI (EXP) (Ramírez-Correa et al., 2014), HM🡪BI (COL) and HM🡪BI (LTO) (Lai et al., 2016) were all examined one instances each and together found to be non-significant on all three instances as depicted in Table 2.

In addition to the above, Lu et al. (2017) employed two variants of *hedonic motivation* such as *disconfirmation of perceived enjoyment* (DEN) and *post usage perceived enjoyment* (PUPEJ) to examine individuals continuance use of mobile applications. These two variants had four different path relationships in various combinations with satisfaction (SAT), attitude (ATT) and continuance intention (CIN). The four path relationships were found significant on two instances (PUPEJ🡪SAT; PUPEJ🡪ATT) and non-significant on the remaining two instances (DEN🡪SAT; PUPEJ🡪CIN).

**4.3.2 Antecedents of Hedonic motivation**

Hedonic motivation, apart from serving as antecedent, got antecedents on its own. Six such antecedents of hedonic motivation are as follows: 1) Mobile skillfulness (MSK) (Wong et al., 2015a), 2) Effort expectancy (EE) (Herrero & San Martín, 2017), 3) Disconfirmation of perceived enjoyment (DEN) (Lu et al., 2017), 4) Social influence (SI) (Koenig-Lewis et al., 2015), 5) Context awareness (CAW); and 6) Unobtrusiveness (UNO) (Segura & Thiesse, 2015). These six constructs served as antecedents of hedonic motivation on one instance each and found to have significant relationship on all six instances.

**Table 2:** Hedonic motivation path relationships summary

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **SL** | **I.V.** | **D.V.(Mod)** | **Total** | **Sig** | **Example Citations(Sig)** | **Non-Sig** | **Example citations(Non-Sig)** |
| 1 | HM | BI | 53 | 43 | Alalwan et al. (2017); Baptista and Oliveira (2015); Wong et al. (2015a) | 10 | Koenig-Lewis et al. (2015); Oliveira et al. (2016); Slade et al. (2015a) |
| 2 | HM | PE | 3 | 3 | Alalwan et al. (2016) ; Koenig-Lewis et al. (2015); Robin et al. (2016) | 0 | None |
| 3 | HM | EE | 2 | 2 | Koenig-Lewis et al. (2015); Robin et al. (2016) | 0 | None |
| 4 | HM | UB | 1 | 1 | Lallmahomed et al. (2013) | 0 | None |
| 5 | HM | HA | 1 | 1 | Herrero and San Martín (2017) | 0 | None |
| 6 | HM | PV | 1 | 1 | Alalwan et al. (2016) | 0 | None |
| 7 | HM | TR | 1 | 1 | Alalwan et al. (2015) | 0 | None |
| 8 | HM | SN | 1 | 1 | Robin et al. (2016) | 0 | None |
| 9 | HM | PA | 1 | 1 | Escobar-Rodríguez and Carvajal-Trujillo (2014) | 0 | None |
| 10 | HM | PR | 1 | 1 | Koenig-Lewis et al. (2015) | 0 | None |
| 11 | HM | BI(GEN) | 4 | 2 | Baptista et al. (2017); Ramantoko et al. (2015) | 2 | Ramírez-Correa et al. (2014); Wong et al. (2014) |
| 12 | HM | BI(AGE) | 3 | 1 | Baptista et al. (2017) | 2 | Ramírez-Correa et al. (2014); Ramantoko et al. (2015) |
| 13 | HM | BI(EXP) | 1 | 0 | None | 1 | Ramírez-Correa et al. (2014) |
| 14 | HM | BI(COL) | 1 | 0 | None | 1 | Lai et al. (2016) |
| 15 | HM | BI(LTO) | 1 | 0 | None | 1 | Lai et al. (2016) |
| 16 | DEN | SAT | 1 | 0 | None | 1 | Lu et al. (2017) |
| 17 | PUPEJ | SAT | 1 | 1 | Lu et al. (2017) | 0 | None |
| 18 | PUPEJ | ATT | 1 | 1 | Lu et al. (2017) | 0 | None |
| 19 | PUPEJ | CIN | 1 | 0 | None | 1 | Lu et al. (2017) |
| 20 | UNO | HM | 1 | 1 | Segura and Thiesse (2015) | 0 | None |
| 21 | CAW | HM | 1 | 1 | Segura and Thiesse (2015) | 0 | None |
| 22 | MSK | HM | 1 | 1 | Wong et al. (2015a) | 0 | None |
| 23 | EE | HM | 1 | 1 | Herrero and San Martín (2017) | 0 | None |
| 24 | DEN | PUPEJ | 1 | 1 | Lu et al. (2017) | 0 | None |
| 25 | SI | HM | 1 | 1 | Koenig-Lewis et al. (2015) | 0 | None |

**[Legend:** ATT: Attitude; BI: Behavioural Intention; CAW: Context Awareness; CIN: Continuance Intention; COL: Collectivism; LTO: Long-term Orientation; DEN: Disconfirmation of Perceived Enjoyment D.V.: Dependant Variable; EE: Effort Expectancy; Exp: Experience; Gen: Gender; HA: Habit; HM: Hedonic Motivation; I.V.: Independent Variable; Mod: Moderator; MSK: Mobile Skilfulness; Non-Sig: Number of non-significant path values; PA: Perceived Advantage; PE: Performance Expectancy; PR: Perceived Risk; PV: Price Value; PUPEJ: Post Usage Perceived Enjoyment; SAT: Satisfaction; Sig: Number of Significant Path Values; SL: Serial Number; SN: Subjective Norm; SI: Social Influence; TR: Trust; UB: Use Behaviour; UNO: Unobtrusiveness]

**4.4** **Meta-analysis of studies using hedonic motivation construct**

Meta-analysis is increasingly preferred over traditional narrative assessment of literature review especially in mature research streams such as Information systems. Meta-analysis provides rigorous, unbiased, trustworthy interventions through clarification and synthesis of existing research findings including studies with non-significant and contradictory results to derive collective conclusion (Dwivedi et al., 2017; Eden, 2002; Sabherwal et al., 2006). This study conducted meta-analysis of various ‘hedonic motivation’ dependant, independent and moderating variables path relationships explored on two or more instance across 46 hedonic motivation studies (e.g., King & He, 2006; Rana et al., 2015; Wu & Du, 2012). Only five path relationships fulfilled this criterion of two or more examinations from a total of 25 unique ‘hedonic motivation’ path relationships depicted in Table 2. Three main (HM🡪BI; HM🡪PE; HM🡪EE) and two moderator (HM🡪BI (Age)/(Gen)) relationships constituted these five eligible paths of meta-analysis. Finally, this study subjected all five eligible path relationships analysis to meta-analysis using comprehensive meta-analysis software. Table 3 depicts the summary of results emerging from the analysis.

**Table 3:** Meta-analysis of ‘hedonic motivation’ path coefficients (β) (Adapted from King & He (2006))

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| **SL** | **I.V.** | **D.V.(Mod)** | **#** | **TSS** | **p(ES)** | **Meta (β)** | **95% L(β)** | **95% H(β)** |
| 1 | HM | BI | 53 | 19306 | 0.000 | 0.259 | 0.199 | 0.316 |
| 2 | HM | PE | 3 | 1095 | 0.008 | 0.524 | 0.154 | 0.766 |
| 3 | HM | EE | 2 | 772 | 0.000 | 0.687 | 0.591 | 0.764 |
| 4 | HM | BI(Gen) | 4 | 1520 | 0.956 | 0.003 | -0.113 | 0.119 |
| 5 | HM | BI(Age) | 3 | 1327 | 0.800 | -0.073 | -0.126 | -0.019 |

[**Legend:** #: Number of studies; BI: Behavioural Intention; D.V.: Dependant Variable; EE: Effort Expectancy; PE: Performance Expectancy; Gen: Gender; H (β): Highest (beta); I.V.: Independent Variable; L (β): Lowest (Beta); Meta (β): Meta-analysis path coefficient; Mod: Moderator; p (ES): Estimated Value of p; TSS: Total Sample Size]

Meta-analysis results from Table 3 revealed only direct path relationships of HM such as: HM🡪BI, HM🡪PE, and HM🡪EE to be significant at p<0.05 level. The remaining two moderator path relationships HM🡪BI (Gender) and HM🡪BI (Age) were non-significant with very high p values of 0.956 and 0.800 respectively. In terms of significant paths, the impact of hedonic motivation was stronger on effort expectancy with (β) 0.687 than behavioural intention and Performance expectancy with (β) 0.259 and (β) 0.524 respectively. In addition, while the 95% confidence interval of HM🡪EE path was wider with Low (β) – 0.591 and High (β) – 0.764. The confidence interval for HM🡪BI was the narrowest with Low (β) – 0.199 and High (β) – 0.316 revealing the range is narrow enough to explain at least one confidence within the extent of variance.

**5. Discussion**

This study conducted a literature review and meta-analysis on 79 UTAUT2 empirical studies in the pursuit to understand and provide suitable conditions for hedonic motivation construct usage. The findings revealed 58% of UTAUT2 studies included hedonic motivation construct that is much higher in comparison to just 41% and 35% inclusion of two other UTAUT2 additional constructs price value and habit respectively in similar studies(see Tamilmani et al., 2018c; 2018d). The findings on individuals’ motivation to perform various activities revealed that the primary driver behind vast majority of individuals as much as 73% in non-hedonic motivation-based studies was extrinsic motivation. These individuals performed activities such as “assessing e-government services”, “conducting financial transactions” and “reading e-books” to improve effectiveness of their task underscoring the utilitarian value that are distinct form the activity itself. Although the driver behind the remaining 23% non-hedonic motivation studies was intrinsic motivation that involves individuals performing task for end in itself such as “online content creation” and “music streaming” majority of these studies excluded hedonic motivation construct without providing any reason. Understandably ‘no reason’ emerged as the top category among non-hedonic motivation studies with 30 out of 33 (91%) of them not providing any reason for exclusion.

The path relationship HM🡪BI was the most examined path in hedonic motivation studies, comprising 43 significant and 10 non-significant examinations. Like non-hedonic motivation, the vast majority of non-significant HM🡪BI studies such as mobile payments and learning were driven through extrinsic motivation of individuals in order to improve the performance of the underlying task underscoring the utilitarian value. For instance, mobile payments (Koenig-Lewis et al., 2015; Oliveira et al., 2016; Slade et al., 2015a) enables individuals to conduct financial transaction anywhere, anytime saving enormous time and effort for them in comparison to visiting physical bank for conducting financial transactions. Likewise, learning management system (LMS) software (Ain et al., 2016) enabled students to remotely access course content, submit assignments, participate in discussion forum and downloading/uploading course related files saving their time. The above-mentioned scenarios illustrate tasks performed to improve the performance of an activity are extrinsically motived. Researchers should be cautious of involving hedonic motivation in situation where utilitarian outcomes completely outweighs the hedonic outcomes. In addition, this study found fascinating outcomes for hedonic motivation within a single study producing mixed results depending upon the contexts such as country and type of technology examined. For instance, hedonic motivation was a significant determinant of consumer intention towards fitness wearable devices but non-significant determinant of medical wearable devices. The plausible explanation for this pattern is medical wearable devices are regarded as life-saving and understandably consumer expectation on the performance expectancy is of paramount importance on such devices diminishing the role of hedonic expectancy (Gao et al., 2015b). In terms of countries as context, the research of Dwivedi et al. (2016) on citizen’s use of m-health in three different countries found hedonic motivation to be significant predictor only among Bangladeshi citizens and non-significant among citizens of other two countries USA, and Canada. The reason for this pattern could be citizens from countries with low Internet penetration such as Bangladesh experience fun while accessing technologies such as m-health over internet that are novel to them. This is not the case for citizens from developed countries such as: USA and Canada with wider internet penetration they are exposed to plethora of mobile applications on day today basis. Hence accessing m-health for citizens from developed countries is not as novel/fun in comparison to citizens from developing and under developed countries( Dwivedi et al., 2016).

Originally hedonic motivation was hypothesised only as an antecedent of BI in the UTAUT2 model with age, gender and experience as moderators. However, this study found the umbrella construct hedonic motivation to have 25 unique path relationships comprising of both dependent and antecedent variables as depicted in Table 2. It served as an antecedent of PE (three instances) and EE (two instances) – the two most dominant predictors of individual technology acceptance in popular information systems theories/models. Together the paths HM🡪PE and HM🡪EE are found significant on all the five instances validating the findings of Van der Heijden (2004) that suggest enjoyable technology are perceived more useful and easier to use. In addition to PE and EE, Table 2 reveals HM also served as a significant antecedent of eight other variables on at least one instance including BI. Furthermore, apart from being an antecedent, the findings divulge *hedonic motivation* also served as dependant variable on six instances. For example, two constructs such as: unobtrusiveness (UNO) (a pervasive measure of technological system becoming both cognitively and physically invisible to its users) and context awareness (an enabler for services to provide additional value such as Location based services) were found significant antecedents of hedonic motivation in determining consumer intention to use Google glass (Segura & Thiesse, 2015).

β = 0.524

p = 0.008

β = 0.259

p = 0.000

β = 0.687

p = 0.000

Hedonic Motivation

Performance Expectancy

Effort Expectancy

Behavioural Intention

Age

Gender

β = -0.073

p = 0.800

β = 0.003

p = 0.956

Significant Path

Non-Significant Path

**Fig 2:** Resultant model of hedonic motivation meta-analysis

Figure 2 depicts model emerging from meta-analysis of “hedonic motivation” path relationships. The model divulges effect of moderators: gender and age are not significant enough to influence individual adoption of technologies driven by hedonic motivation. This is significant departure from Venkatesh et al.'s (2012) research on 1,512 Hong Kong mobile Internet users found age, gender, and experience to moderate the effect of hedonic motivation on behavioural intention such that effects were stronger for younger men in early stage of experience with product. In similar vein, Venkatesh et al.'s (2016, p.347) review of UTAUT based studies found disparity of moderator relationships and they excluded effects of moderators in their proposed multi-level framework to measure individual technology acceptance and use across various use contexts. In terms of direct associations, all three HM path relationships HM🡪PE , HM🡪BI, and HM🡪EE were significant at p<0.05 level with HM🡪EE emerging as the strongest path relationship. Prior researchers has well established the role of hedonic motivation in predicting behavioural intention (Davis et al., 1992; Van der Heijden, 2004). On the contrary, while the majority of existing researchers have manipulated difficulty of task and examined its effect on intrinsic motivation making association from ease of use/effort expectancy to hedonic motivation (Van der Heijden, 2004), meta-analysis revealed change in locus of causality from hedonic motivation to effort expectancy. This change in locus of causality was not surprising, as research by Venkatesh (1999) found manipulating the system specific enjoyment through gamified training not only enhanced the ease of use but also increased salience of perceived ease of use as determinant of individual intention decision to use technology. In addition, the research by Venkatesh (2000) in the following year on determinants of perceived ease of use grounded on anchor and adjustment framework proposed two variants of intrinsic motivation: “*computer playfulness*” as a system-independent individual difference *anchor* variable during early use of technology and “*perceived enjoyment”* as system-specific individual difference *adjustment* variable after gaining experience on interaction with technology. The study conducted on 246 system users at different times found both *computer playfulness* and *perceived enjoyment* as significant determinants of ease of use in early and later stage of system use respectively. To that extent, the meta-analysis finding of significant HM🡪EE path relationship is an important revelation for researchers in the technology adoption arena.

* 1. **Implications for theory and practice**

This first meta-analytic review on hedonic motivation offers several implications for researchers and practitioners alike. It provides three major contributions to the existing body of technology adoption literature, in particular on operationalisation of intrinsically driven hedonic motivation construct. First, unlike the UTAUT2 model, meta-analysis found the effect of moderators to be non-significant on HM🡪BI path relationship. Moderators’ inclusion into UTAUT theories was a significant departure from its guiding theories such as TAM, TRA and TPB since none of them employed moderators in their model. Thus, moderators may not be universally applicable to all contexts and could run into the risk of being completely irrelevant in certain settings. Researchers should therefore exercise caution in including moderators in their study (Dwivedi et al., 2017). Second, this study found significant association between scarcely examined path relationships HM🡪EE underscoring the significance of intrinsic motivation as determinant of ease of use/effort expectancy. Third, this study propose a framework as depicted in Table 4 to serve as guideline for researchers on selection of *hedonic motivation* construct. This aims to avoid researcher’s exclusion of hedonic motivation, whilst examining technologies driven by intrinsic motivation focussed on hedonic outcomes underscoring affective physiological behaviour and including them in technologies, driven by extrinsic motivation focussed on utilitarian outcomes underscoring cognitive physiological behaviour. The researchers should also provide sufficient explanation in case of omission of construct since this study found majority of studies did not reveal one. In addition, investigators should consider how people in developing and under-developed countries perceive novel utilitarian technologies as fun, which in turn could significantly determine their technology use (Dwivedi et al., 2016).

**Table 4:** Framework for hedonic motivation use

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Underlying concept** | **Hedonic motivation Significant (✓)** | **Hedonic motivation non-significant (×)** |
| **Motivation** | Intrinsic | Extrinsic |
| **Outcome** | Hedonic | Utilitarian |
| **Psychology** | Affective | Cognitive |

The findings of this study provide several implications for practice. Besides motivation, the scholarly debate in IS has often focused on information systems success/failure dichotomy. The failure to implement information systems technologies can result in serious financial consequences for organisations ultimately generating huge losses (Dwivedi et al., 2015). In most of these cases, a major hurdle is individual finding the underlying system too difficult to interact with and hence difficult to use (Venkatesh, 2000). One of the salient findings of this study is significant association between *hedonic motivation* and *effort expectancy/ease of use*. Practitioners should exploit individual’s intrinsic motivation in technology environments to leverage the association between HM🡪EE paths. Few such instances are as follows: introduction of “fun icons” in MS-Office 97, “warm and fuzzy” screen savers (e.g., flashing cartoons, favourite sport team, etc.), and gamified training interventions to break individuals monotony while engaging with various technologies to enhance acceptance of new systems (Venkatesh, 1999, 2000). Moreover, hedonic motivation is a strong significant direct predictor of individual intention to use technology. In cases of people rejecting utilitarian systems, to achieve user acceptance designers should consider invoking hedonic features of the system. This is similar to making bitter pills sweet on the outside to make it go down easily (Van der Heijden, 2004). In addition, practitioners should be cautious as hedonic motivation appeals to consumers only during early stage of product life cycle, once consumers start using the actual product and gain experience the utility parameters of products outweighs all other attributes (Venkatesh et al., 2012). This means even if organisations could acquire early adopters through novel hedonic product features in order to capture market share and thrive, they should offer compelling products that can efficiently improve/provide solution for consumer problems efficiently during later stages. Finally, in order to maximize the effects of hedonic motivation among consumer’s organisations should leverage all of its six significant antecedents such as: Mobile skilfulness, effort expectancy (EE), Disconfirmation of perceived enjoyment, Social influence, Context awareness, and Unobtrusiveness.

**6. Conclusion**

This study brought much needed spotlight to the motivation dichotomy in technology adoption research from consumer perspective. This study evaluated hedonic motivation usage in UTAUT2 based studies through narrative literature review and meta-analysis. The findings revealed extrinsic motivation as the primary driver behind 24 non-hedonic motivation and ten non-significant hedonic motivation-based studies. Hence, hedonic motivation is not an appropriate construct in examining technologies where consumers engage in technology for utilitarian purposes such as improving their effectiveness or efficiency in performing various tasks. Moreover, meta-analysis results revealed effects of moderators to be non-significant for HM🡪BI path relationship. This was a significant departure from the original UTAUT2, researchers should be more cautious in future while operationalizing their constructs to make necessary adaptations or omit irrelevant constructs depending upon context rather than having obligation to replicate all the constructs in underpinning model/theory. However, hedonic motivation was the most used newly added UTAUT2 construct with 58% studies employing this construct in their research model. Majority of the hedonic motivation studies focused on the intrinsic motivation of users where consumer motivation for using technology was to derive fun or pleasure. Thus hedonic motivation is an appropriate construct for research focused on hedonic outcomes, where consumer performs task for the novelty and fun/pleasure derived from the activity.

* 1. **Limitations and future research directions**

Despite robust coding mechanisms and precautionary measures employed in the study to avoid methodological errors, readers should interpret findings from this study in light of following limitations. First, this study confined hedonic motivation usage only to UTAUT2 based empirical studies available from two databases (Web of Science and Scopus). In future, researchers should widen their search horizon to multiple databases without restricting to single theory such as UTAUT2. This will increase the number of articles available for meta-analysis leading to superior effect sizes. Second, this study limited the meta-analysis only to the path coefficients (β). Although meta-analysis of path coefficients (β) is a better measure to evaluate strength of path relationships, future researchers should employ correlation (r) based analysis with robust statistical techniques to compute variance (R2). This will lead to establish variance of hedonic motivation on its dependant variables and its antecedents. Third, meta-analysis technique is restricted to quantitative studies resulting in exclusion of studies using hedonic construct in qualitative setting. Future research should consider weight-analysis that allows inclusion of qualitative studies while evaluating strength between dependant and independent variable. Fourth, this study restricted meta-analysis to single UTAUT2 additional construct “hedonic motivation”. Future studies should consider other UTAUT2 constructs for meta-analysis to compare and contrast the best predictor of technology adoption among UTAUT2 constructs. Finally, due to a smaller number of studies, we were not able to perform meta-analysis on hedonic motivation moderators and its antecedents that calls for exploration with large sample size in future.

**Appendix A:** Classification of studies not using Hedonic motivation construct

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| **SN** | **Theme/Technology examined (with frequency)** | **Task (with frequency)** | **Motivation Type (with frequency)** | **Source(s)** |
| 1 | Fintech (10) | | | |
|  | Mobile Payments (6) | Conducting financial transactions (6) | Extrinsic (6) | Jia et al. (2014); Jia et al. (2015); Qasim and Abu-Shanab (2016); Shaw (2014); Slade et al., (2015b); Teo et al. (2015b) |
|  | Internet banking (2) | Conducting financial transactions (2) | Extrinsic (2) | Chaouali et al. (2016); Salim et al. (2016) |
|  | Financial products use on internet | Conducting financial transactions (1) | Extrinsic (1) | Huang (2016) |
|  | Mobile banking | Conducting financial transactions (1) | Extrinsic (1) | Mahfuz et al. (2016) |
| 2 | User generated content (UGC) Communities (5) | | | |
|  | Information sharing in SNS (1) | Content creation and sharing (1) | Intrinsic (1) | Hajli and Lin (2016) |
|  | Location disclosure on LB-SNAs (1) | Content creation and sharing (1) | Intrinsic (1) | Koohikamali et al. (2015) |
|  | Information disclosure in SNS (1) | Content creation and sharing (1) | Intrinsic (1) | Koohikamali et al. (2017) |
|  | Virtual communities of practice (VCoP) (1) | Content creation and sharing (1) | Intrinsic (1) | Nistor et al. (2014) |
|  | Online help seeking in community of practice (1) | Content creation and sharing (1) | Intrinsic (1) | Nistor et al. (2012) |
| 3 | Mobile Technologies (4) | | | |
|  | Mobile Augmented Reality (MAR) | Navigating using MAR travel guide | Intrinsic (1) | Kourouthanassis et al. (2015b) |
|  | Value co-creation in hotels through mobile devices | Service interactions | Extrinsic (1) | Morosan and DeFranco (2016) |
|  | Mobile devices in private clubs | Service interactions | Extrinsic (1) | Morosan and DeFranco (2014) |
|  | Interactive mobile technologies (IMT) in hotels | Service interactions | Extrinsic (1) | Wendy Zhu and Morosan (2014) |
| 4 | Education (3) | | | |
|  | Podcasting in higher education (1) | Learning (1) | Extrinsic (1) | Lin et al. (2013) |
|  | Mobile learning (1) | Learning (1) | Extrinsic (1) | Wong et al. (2015b) |
|  | E-books (1) | Reading (1) | Extrinsic (1) | Yoo and Roh (2016) |
| 5 | E-government (2) | | | |
|  | Government to Citizens (2) | Assessing government services (2) | Extrinsic (2) | Fakhoury and Aubert (2015); Lallmahomed et al. (2017) |
| 6 | Entertainment (2) | | | |
|  | Music as a service (2) | Listening to music (2) | Intrinsic (2) | Wagner et al. (2014); Wagner and Hess (2013) |
| 7 | Others (7) | | | |
|  | crime-tracking IS | Sharing crime related information | Intrinsic (1) | Cvijikj et al. (2015) |
|  | Electric vehicles | Commuting | Extrinsic (1) | Degirmenci and Breitner (2017) |
|  | Consumerization of IT | Using personal digital devices for work | Extrinsic (1) | Dernbecher et al. (2013) |
|  | Biometric e-gates in airports | check in at Airports | Extrinsic (1) | Morosan (2016) |
|  | Broadband Technology Use | Using Internet | Extrinsic (1) | Muraina et al. (2016) |
|  | Software reuse adoption | Use of existing software | Extrinsic (1) | Stefi (2015) |
|  | Recruitment | Searching for Jobs | Extrinsic (1) | Huang and Chuang (2016) |

**Appendix B:** Studies using Hedonic motivation construct

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| **SN** | **Source** | **Country** | **Respondent Type** | **Technology examined** |
| 1 | Ahn et al. (2016) | USA | Consumer | Household Technology |
|  | Ain et al. (2016) | Malaysia | Student | Learning Management system |
| 3 | Alalwan et al. (2015) | Jordon | Consumer | Internet Banking |
| 4 | Alalwan et al. (2016) | Jordon | Consumer | Telebanking |
| 5 | Alalwan et al. (2017) | Jordon | Consumer | Mobile Banking |
| 6 | Ali et al. (2016) | Malaysia | Student | Computer Supported Classrooms |
| 7 | An et al. (2016) | China | Student | Online shopping of Agricultural products |
| 8 | Baptista & Oliveira (2015) | Mozambique | Consumer | Mobile Banking |
| 9 | Baptista & Oliveira (2017) | Brazil | Consumer | Gamification Impact on Mobile Banking |
| 10 | Bere (2014) | South Africa | Student | Mobile Learning |
| 11 | Buettner (2016) | Germany | Working Professional | Job search in Social Networking Sites |
| 12 | Chong & Ngai (2013) | China | Consumer | Location based Social media service |
| 13 | Dwivedi et al. (2016) | USA | Citizen | Mobile Health |
|  | Dwivedi et al. (2016) | Canada | Citizen | Mobile Health |
|  | Dwivedi et al. (2016) | Bangladesh | Citizen | Mobile Health |
| 14 | Escobar-Rodríguez & Carvajal-Trujillo (2013) | Spain | Consumer | Website airline tickets |
| 15 | Escobar-Rodríguez & Carvajal-Trujillo (2014) | Spain | Consumer | Online purchasing tickets for low cost carriers |
| 16 | Gao et al. (2015a) | China | Middle Aged Adult | Smart phone adoption |
|  | Gao et al. (2015a) | China | Older Adult | Smart phone adoption |
| 17 | Gao et al. (2015c) | China | Consumer | Smart phone adoption |
| 18 | Gao et al. (2015b) | China | General Consumer | Wearable healthcare technology |
|  | Gao et al. (2015b) | China | Fitness sample | Wearable healthcare technology |
|  | Gao et al. (2015b) | China | Medical Sample | Wearable healthcare technology |
| 19 | Guo (2014) | China | Male Consumer | Mobile Social Networking Sites |
|  | Guo (2014) | China | Female Consumer | Mobile Social Networking Sites |
| 20 | Herrero et al. (2017) | Spain | Consumer | Sharing User Generated Content in Social networking sites |

**Appendix B:** Studies using Hedonic motivation construct

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| **SN** | **Source** | **Country** | **Respondent Type** | **Technology examined** |
| 21 | Hew et al. (2015) | Malaysia | Consumer | Mobile Apps |
| 22 | Hsieh et al. (2014) | Taiwan | Smart Phone User | Smart phone and tablets |
|  | Hsieh et al. (2014) | Taiwan | Tablet User | Smart phone and tablets |
| 23 | Jarvinen et al. (2016) | Europe | Consumer | Instagram (SNS) |
| 24 | Jyoti et al. (2014) | United Kingdom | Consumer | Smart phone adoption |
| 25 | Juaneda-Ayensa et al. (2016) | Spain | Consumer | Omnichannel shopping |
| 26 | Koenig-Lewis et al. (2015) | France | Consumer | Mobile payments |
| 27 | Lai et al. (2016) | Hongkong, China and USA | Student | Informal learning context |
| 28 | Lallmahomed et al. (2013) | Malaysia | Student | Facebook usage |
| 29 | Morosan & DeFranco (2016b) | USA | Consumer | Near Field Communication Payments |
| 30 | Nair et al. (2015) | Malaysia | Student | Lecture capturing system |
| 31 | Nguyen et al. (2014a) | Vietnam | Consumer | Cloud based E-learning |
| 32 | Nguyen et al. (2014b) | Vietnam | Consumer | Cloud based E-learning |
| 33 | Oechslein et al. (2014) | Germany | Student | Social recommender systems |
| 34 | Oliveira et al. (2016) | Portugal | Consumer | Mobile payments |
| 35 | Pfeiffer et al. (2016) | Germany | Consumer | Wearable self-tracking device |
| 36 | Raman & Don (2013) | Malaysia | Student | Learning Management System |
| 37 | Ramantoko et al. (2015). | Indonesia | Consumer | Home Digital Services |
| 38 | Ramírez-Correa et al. (2014) | Chile | Consumer | Mobile Internet |
| 39 | Salinas Segura & Thiesse (2015) | Amazon mechanical Turk/Germany | Consumer | Pervasive Information Systems(Google glass) |
| 40 | Slade et al. (2015a) | United Kingdom | Consumer | Proximity mobile payments |
| 41 | Fard et al. (2016) | Malaysia | Male Consumer | Purchase intention in Social networking sites |
|  | Fard et al. (2016) | Malaysia | Female Consumer | Purchase intention in Social networking sites |
|  | Fard et al. (2016) | Malaysia | 18 to 24 Year | Purchase intention in Social networking sites |
|  | Fard et al. (2016) | Malaysia | > 24 Year | Purchase intention in Social networking sites |
| 42 | Wong et al. (2014) | Malaysia | Student | Mobile TV |
| 43 | Wong et al. (2015b) | Malaysia | Consumer | Mobile learning |

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