CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview of Research Objects

Spotify is the largest music platform in the world today, especially by the number of subscribers. Users only need to register to be able to access various content in it such as music, podcasts, and other audio content. Spotify operates in a freemium model, where access is initially free but with low sound quality, lots of ads, and requires an internet connection. In contrast to premium, these things will not exist, users will hear high quality sound without being disturbed by advertisements and can download the music if they want to be heard offline in the future.

Daniel Ek and Martin found the spotify in Stockholm, Sweden 2006(Iqbal, 2022). Both of them wanted to create a legal digital music platform legally in the face of the problem of music piracy in the early 2000s. In the end they convinced the record label to agree to share content in exchange for a 20% share of the proceeds, thus Spotify was successfully launched in 2008. By partnering with Facebook, it helped them to grow rapidly. With a market valuation of \$26.5 billion after trading on the first day, Spotify went public in April 2018. (Iqbal, 2022). Spotify dominates the music industry.



Figure 1. 1 Spotify Logo

Source: spotify.com

1.2 Research Background

Music player technology is increasingly advanced to make the ancient music players get rid of. In today's sophisticated era, music can be listened to only by using a player or music player. This is because the music format now uses digital audio. So that with any tool to play music, it is enough to just use the mp3 or music player. What is now known as the mp3 player was once an ordinary music player that developed according to the times. In the past, the music format was not analog digital as it is now. In the past, music was recorded and played with conventional equipment. Starting from the 20th century, namely the emergence of blackplates or LPs invented by Kevin Gerald, cassette tapes which were introduced in 1963 so that the emergence of the famous Sony product, namely the Walkman, to the CD which was invented in the 90s with a shape that is smaller than a black plate but has a greater storage than cassette tapes, all of which have evolved to now use digital formats. Even now we can listen to music with just a smartphone and download music applications. The greatness of the digital world has begun to take over the glory of the old Analog world.

Until now, music is still growing and so are the fans who are getting bigger. Based on research conducted by Hootsuites, the total cellular users in Indonesia are 345.3 million people and 60.4% of them listen to music through mobile applications, which means that around 207 million people in Indonesia have listened to music online.

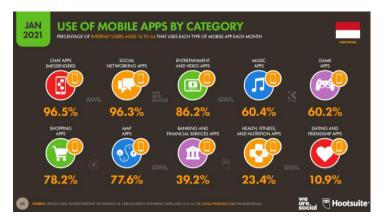


Figure 1. 2 Use of mobile apps

Source: hootsuite.com

One of the best music platforms today is Spotify, this platform is very famous because it provides many songs and adapts to the wishes of the listener and can also be accessed for free and also they have premium feature for premium members so that users of this application from year to year always increase. When compared to its rivals, Spotify has always been ranked first in the last 5 years.

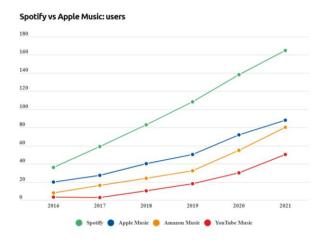


Figure 1. 3 Comparison of Spotify users with other apps

Source: businessofapps.com

Apart from the development of music platforms from time to time, we need to know what factors the determinants are in choosing or buying the platform, in this case we will examine the platforms that exist today, namely application-based digital music platforms that can be accessed via mobile, for example Spotify music app. Therefore, it is necessary to do research on purchase intention with the title "INVESTIGATION OF VARIABLES AFFECTING PURCHASE INTENTION IN SPOTIFY APPLICATIONS USING EXPLORED FACTOR MODEL"

1.3 Problem Formulation

- 1. How do consumers respond to app usefulness on Spotify
- 2. How do consumers respond to app enjoyment on Spotify
- 3. How do consumers respond to monetary value of app on Spotify
- 4. How do consumers respond to word of mouth on Spotify

- 5. How do consumers respond to app triability on Spotify
- 6. How do consumers respond to purchase intention on Spotify
- 7. Does app usefulness have an influence on purchase intention?
- 8. Does app enjoyment have an influence on purchase intention?
- 9. Does app word of mouth have an influence on purchase intention?
- 10. Does app app triability have an influence on purchase intention?
- 11. Does app monetary value of app have an influence on purchase intention?
- 12. Does app usefulness have an influence on monetary value of app?
- 13. Does app enjoyment have an influence on monetary value of app?
- 14. Does app word of mouth have an influence on monetary value of app?
- 15. Does app triability have an influence on monetary value of app?

1.4 Research Objective

This research has several purposes to examine:

- 1. To find out how do consumers respond to app usefulness on Spotify
- 2. To find out how do consumers respond to app enjoyment on Spotify
- To find out how do consumers respond to monetary value of app on Spotify
- 4. To find out how do consumers respond to word of mouth on Spotify
- 5. To find out how do consumers respond to app triability on Spotify
- 6. To find out how do consumers respond to purchase intention on Spotify
- 7. To find out whether there is an influence of app usefulness on purchase intention
- 8. To find out whether there is an influence of app enjoyment on purchase intention
- 9. To find out whether there is an influence of word of mouth on purchase intention
- 10. To find out whether there is an influence of app triability on purchase intention
- 11. To find out whether there is an influence of monetary value of app on purchase intention

- 12. To find out whether there is an influence of app usefulness on monetary value of app
- 13. To find out whether there is an influence of app enjoyment on monetary value of app
- 14. To find out whether there is an influence of word of mouth on monetary value of app
- 15. To find out whether there is an influence of app triability on monetary value of app
- 16. To find out whether there is an influence of app usefulness and app enjoyment on purchase intention simultaneously
- 17. To find out whether there is an influence of app usefulness and app enjoyment on monetary value of app simultaneously
- 18. To find out whether there is an influence of WOM about app and app triability on purchase intention simultaneously
- 19. To find out whether there is an influence of WOM about app and app triability on monetary value of app simultaneously

1.5 Research Benefit

1.5.1 Theoretical Aspect

a. Author

This paper is a requirement in Research Methodology subject of International ICT Business.

b. Educational Institution

This research will give the information for students to understand about the effect of packaging design and store environment toward company improvement factors.

c. Writer

The writer can also have a benefit from this paper on how to understand the company. In the future writer could make a deeper and better analysis of this paper and implement this to everyone who needs it.

1.5.2 Practical Aspect

- a. This research could give benefit to company to increase customer satisfaction
- b. This research can give benefit to the company if the packaging design and store environment affects purchase decision

1.6 Systematically Writing

a. CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

In this chapter contains the background of the issues that reveal the phenomenon of the impact of motivation programs on employee performance, the reasons for the selection of topics, and the reasons for selection of research sites. Furthermore, this section also describes the formulation of problems, objectives and research and systematics writing.

b. CHAPTER II LITERATURE REVIEW

This chapter provides explanations of the theories that inform and assist problem-solving, the framework for research hypotheses, and the nature and purpose of the study.

c. CHAPTER III RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

There is a description of research methodologies in this chapter., namely the type of research, operational variables, population, and samples. Types and techniques of data collection, measurement scale, validity, and reliability test, and data analysis.

d. CHAPTER IV RESEARCH RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This chapter will describe the research findings and explore the features of the respondents, research findings, and research findings.

e. CHAPTER V CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTION

This chapter summarizes the research's conclusions and provides suggestions or recommendations for the companies that the study focused on..