

# Examining the Factors that Affect 3G Mobile Data Service Continuance Intention among Young Indian (IT) Working Professionals

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## Abstract

The surge in sales of smart electronic devices (such as Smartphone, Tablets and Phablets) has increased 3G adoption rate among Indian consumers. Many research firm reports predict India will have 2nd largest mobile data services in upcoming years. The objective of this study is to examine the factors that affect 3G mobile data service continuance intention among young Indian working professionals. An Information system (IS) success model and Theory of planned behaviour (TPB) were used as theoretical background for this study. A self-administered questionnaire was distributed among young (IT) working professional in Bengaluru city. A data of about 286 were collected. The results and implication were discussed at the end.

*Keywords: Third generation (3G), mobile internet technology, Mobile data services (MDS), Continuance adoption intention, Information system (IS) success model. Theory of Planned Behaviour (TPB), Perceived Fee (PFEE) and India*

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## Introduction

The third generation (3G) is an advanced mobile internet technology which provides high speed access to internet information sources. India suffered a lot during its initial period of launch of mobile internet technology with a lot of service quality, affordability, and coverage issues (Pau & Motiwalla, 2008). The third generation mobile technology has grown at a rapid

pace in the last three years in India. The 4G technology being recently launched in India, the year 2015 witnessed- usage of the 3G surpassed 2G internet for the first time in the country (Nokia network study report, 2016). The reason for this is the large penetration of 3G technology enabled devices (such as smartphones) across the country. Also, there are other factors such as increase in rural income, rapid urbanization, and increased trade growth across tier1, 2, 3 cities in the

country has caused increased mobile internet adoption (Muthukumar and Muthu, 2015). According to a joint report of the Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI) and KPMG (2015) India will have 314 million mobile internet users by the end of the year 2017. The report also revealed that 3G internet in India will grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 61.7 % from the year 2013-2017 and there would also be a steep increase in 3G subscription from 82 million in the year 2014 to more than 200 million by the end of the year 2017 (IAMAI & KPMG, 2015). Similarly e-marketer report (2015) also predicted that India will have a second largest smartphone user by the end of the year 2016 which will enable more users to adopt mobile internet. According to Nokia network report (2016) there was 85% of the increase in 3G data traffic in India at the end of the year 2015. Based on these reports the current study tries to explore what drives Indian consumers to adopt 3G continuance.

Only few studies have tried to explain the factors that affect 3G adoption among Indian mobile users. Authors such as Sita (2010) evaluated perception of 3G usage among Indian consumers, Khanna and Agarwal (2013) found Perceived usefulness, Perceived behavioral control and Attitude as a major factor for 3G adoption among Indian consumers, Kumar and Reddy (2014) found service quality and price factor to be important for 3G adoption among mobile users of Indian state of Andhra Pradesh, Madhusudan (2015) found utilitarian value to be the most important factor for 3G adoption among Indian college students of Delhi and Hyderabad and Velmurugan and Velmurugan (2014) stated that usefulness and awareness

are the important determinants that drive Indian consumers to adopt 3G technology. We could able see that none of the previous studies in Indian context have tried to explore the factors that drive 3G mobile data service continuance. Thus, based on this gap this study tries to explore the factors that drive Indian consumers to adopt 3G continuance. Velmurugan and Velmurugan (2014) recommended to study the effect of cost and satisfaction in 3G adoption context among Indian consumers. Park et al. (2011) argues that variance explained in satisfaction related studies are found low, thus there is a need for a new framework to achieve high explanatory power. Boakye (2015) and Lee and Chen (2014) also recommended for more research on mobile data service adoption continuance across different nationalities. We used IS success model (DeLone & McLean, 2003) and TPB (Ajzen, 1991) as a theoretical background for this study. This paper is divided into seven parts. First part consists of Introduction, the second part consists of a literature review, the third part consists of conceptual framework and hypothesis formation, the fourth part consists of research methodology, the fifth part consists of data analysis and results, the sixth part consists of conclusion and implications, and the final part consists of the limitations and future research.

## Literature Review

### *Effect of Service Quality (SQ) on Satisfaction (SAT) and Attitude (ATT)*

Service quality is defined as “*the overall support delivered by the service provider; applies regardless of whether this support is delivered by the IS department, a new*

*organizational unit, or outsourced to an Internet service provider”* (DeLone & McLean, 2003). In the current research, operational definition could be defined as “overall service support provided by 3G service provider”. Lee and Chen (2014), Zhao et al. (2012) and Zhou (2011) states that SQ of mobile internet is an important element which affect SAT and CINT. Pau and Motiwalla in the year (2008) reported India has lots of service quality, affordability, and coverage issues so there is a need for more research in this area. SQ factors such as Interactivity, Customization, Responsiveness, and Usefulness (Li & Yen, 2009) was found to have a positive significant impact on SAT among Taiwanese mobile data services (MDS) users (Lee & Chen, 2014; Wu & Wang, 2006). In contrary Wang and Lin (2012) found SQ to have negative significant impact on 3G adoption among Taiwanese mobile data users. SQ was found to have a positive significant impact on 3G adoption among Singapore mobile users (Agarwal et al., 2007). Seyal and Rahman (2015) states that SQ to have significant negative impact on SAT towards mobile service among Brunei mobile users. SQ was found to have no significant impact on CINT among USA mobile users (Boakye, 2015).

*Effect of System Quality (SYSQ) on Satisfaction (SAT) and Attitude (ATT).*

System Quality (SYSQ) is defined as an overall “*measures the desired characteristics such as usability, availability, reliability, adaptability and response time of an e-commerce system*” (DeLone & McLean, 2003). SYSQ is an important factor that affects mobile commerce continuance

(Boakye, 2015; Lee & Chen, 2014; Zhou, 2011). SYSQ was found to have a significant positive impact among Chinese consumers (Zhou, 2011; Zhou, 2014). SYSQ was found to have a significant positive impact on SAT among Taiwanese consumers (Lee & Chen, 2014; Wang & Lin, 2012). SYSQ was found to have a significant positive impact on SAT among Brunei consumers (Seyal & Rahman, 2015).

*Effect of Perceived Fee (PFEE) on Satisfaction (SAT), Attitude (ATT) and Continues Intention (CINT)*

Perceived fee is defined as “*the amount of economic outlay that must be sacrificed in order to use a product of a service*” (Lichtenstein et al., 1993). PFEE is an important element of mobile data service continuance (Agarwal et al. 2007; Kim et al., 2009; Kim et al. 2010; Zhou, 2013). PFEE was found to have a negative impact on SAT and positive significant impact on CINT among South Korean students (Kim, 2010). Utilitarian value was found to have a positive impact on CINT among USA college students (Park et al., 2011). Lin and Wang (2006) found PFEE to have a positive significant impact on m-commerce CINT. Dhaha and Ali (2014) found PFEE to have a positive significant impact on SAT among Somalian university students. Ong et al. (2008) found PFEE to have no significant impact on 3G adoption among Malaysian consumers. Agarwal et al. (2007) found PFEE to have negative significant impact on the mobile service adoption among Singapore mobile users. Kumar and Reddy (2014) found PFEE to be the most important factor for Indians consumers to adopt 3G technology. Zhou (2011) and Suki and Suki

(2011) recommended to investigate more on effect of PFEE on 3G adoption continuance behaviour among Indian consumers (Velmurugan & Velmurugan, 2014).

*Effect of Social Norm (SN) [Interpersonal Social Influence (INTS) and External Social Influence (EXTS)] on CINT*

Interpersonal influence refers to “influence by friends, family members, colleagues, superiors, and experienced individuals known to the potential adopter” (Bhattacharjee, 2001). External influence refers to “mass media reports, expert opinions, and other non-personal information considered by individuals in performing a behavior” (Bhattacharjee, 2001). Zhang et al. (2012) states that SN is a critical component of mobile service adoption. López-Nicolás et al. (2008) found EXTs to have a positive significant impact on 3G adoption. Kim (2010) proposed a framework by integrating ECM and TPB theory to predict mobile data service continuance behaviour among 107 young South Korean students wherein he found INTS and EXTs jointly explained 60% of variance on SN which in turn had a positive significant impact on CINT.

*Effect of Perceived Behavioral Control (PBC) on CINT*

Perceived Behavioral Control is defined as “an individual’s perceived ease or difficulty of performing the particular behavior” (Ajzen, 1991). Kim (2010) proposed a framework by integrating ECM and TPB theory to predict mobile data service continuance behaviour among 107 young South Korean students wherein he

found PBC to have a positive significant impact on CINT. Zhang et al. (2012) found PBC to have a positive significant impact on mobile value added service adoption among Taiwanese consumers. Khanna and Agarwal (2013) found PBC to have a positive significant effect on 3G adoption among Indians.

*Effect of Satisfaction (SAT) on Continuance Intention (CINT)*

Satisfaction is defined as “a measure of opinions of system from information retrieval through purchase, payment, receipt, and service” (DeLone & McLean, 2003). The SAT is an important construct which significantly affects MDS CINT (Kim, 2010; Lee and Chen, 2014; Zhou, 2014; Li & Yen, 2009; Zhou, 2011; Kim, 2009; Zhao, 2012). Kim (2010) found SAT to have a significant positive significant impact on CINT among South Korean College Students. SAT was to have a positive impact on CINT among Taiwanese consumers (Lee & Chen, 2014; Lin & Wang, 2006) and Chinese consumers (Zhou, 2014; Zhao et al., 2012). Velmurugan and Velmurugan (2014) recommended for more investigation on effect of satisfaction among Indian 3G users. Ng and Kwahk (2010) study shows SAT significantly influence continuance intention.

*Attitude towards Continuance Intention (CINT)*

Attitude is defined as “the degree to which performance of the behavior is positively or negatively valued” (Ajzen, 1991). Continuance Intention is defined as “The degree to which a person has formulated conscious plans to perform or not perform

*some specified future behavior repeatedly*” (Ajzen, 1991). Suki & Suki (2011) ATT to have a positive significant impact on 3G adoption. Zhang et al. (2012) found ATT to have a positive significant impact on 3G adoption among Taiwanese consumers. Park et al. (2007) found ATT to have a positive significant impact on mobile service adoption. Rawashdeh (2015) found ATT to have a positive significant impact on the 4G adoption among Saudi Arabian mobile users. Khanna and Agarwal (2013) found ATT to have a positive significant impact on 3G adoption among Indian consumers.

### **Conceptual Model and Research Hypothesis**

The following Hypotheses were formulated for testing with the collected data:

- H1A: SYSQ will have a positive significant relationship with ATT
- H1B: SYSQ will have a positive significant relationship with SAT
- H2A: SQ will have a positive significant relationship with ATT
- H2B: SQ will have a positive significant relationship with SAT
- H3A: PFEE will have a positive significant relationship with ATT
- H3B: PFEE will have a positive significant relationship with SAT
- H4C: PFEE will have a positive significant relationship with CINT
- H5: ATT will have a positive significant relationship with CINT

H6: SAT will have a positive significant relationship with CINT

H7A: EXTS will have a positive significant relationship with SN

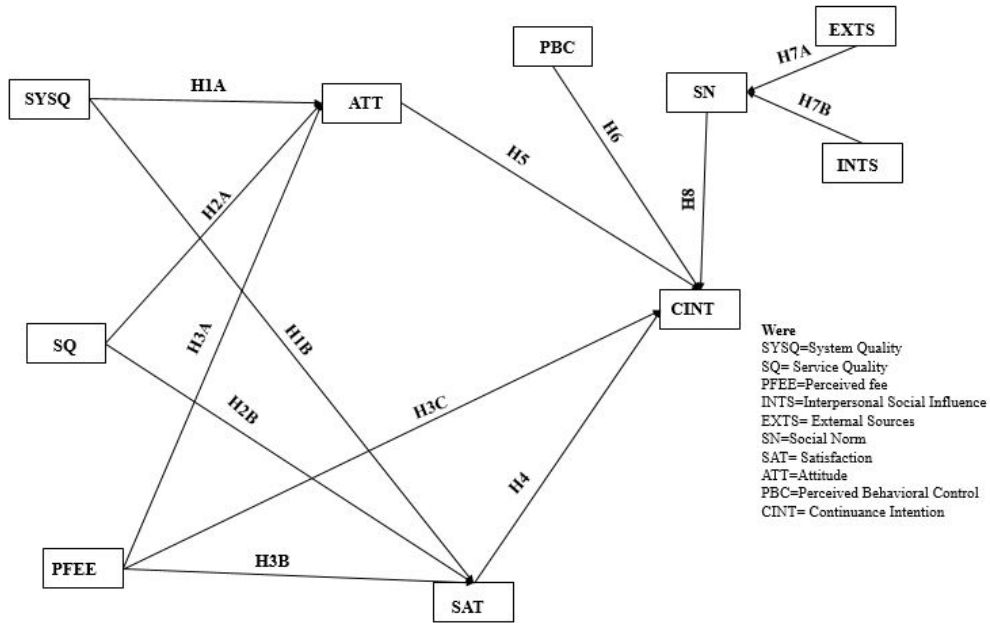
H7B: INTS will have a positive significant relationship with SN

H8: SN will have a positive significant relationship with CINT

### **Methodology**

A quantitative survey was conducted among young IT professional in Bengaluru city. A questionnaire was distributed to IT professionals only to those who use or used 3G mobile internet at least once and those who are aged between 22-26 years. A total of 400 questionnaires were distributed of which only 286 responses were returned. The measuring instrument consists of 32 items, each item were rated on a 5 point Likert scale ranging from 1 as ‘Strongly Disagree to 5 as ‘Strongly Agree. The three items of system quality (SYSQ) were adapted and modified from- previous studies of (Ahn et al., 2007; Wang & Lin, 2012). The four items of service quality (SQ) were adapted and modified previous studies (Lee & Chen, 2014). The three items of satisfaction (SAT) were adapted from (Bhattacharjee, 2001; Zhou, 2013). The three items of social norms (SN) were adapted from (Mathieson, 1991; Kim, 2010). The three items of interpersonal social influence (INTS) and external sources influence (EXTS) were adapted from (Brown & Venkatesh, 2005; Kim, 2010). The three items of continuance intention (CINT) were adapted from (Bhattacharjee, 2001; Kim, 2010). The three items of perceived fee (PFEE) were adapted from (Kim, 2010).





The four items of attitude were adapted from Moon and Kim (2001). Figure 1 shows conceptual framework.

**Data Analysis and Results**

Data analysis was carried out using Statistical Package for the Social Sciences SPSS 22 and Amos 22 software packages. The descriptive statistics obtained using SPSS 22 shows that the sample of this study consist of 54.5% of male and 45.5 % of female. All respondents’ ages are between 22-26 years. More than 60% of respondents were pursuing their undergraduates. About 37% of respondents were pursuing their post graduate degree. Around 36% of respondents use 3G data of about 1GB/month. Over 55 % of respondents use 3G data of about 2GB/ month. Table 1 shows descriptive statistics of respondents.

**Table 1: Sample Profile**

Descriptive Statistics		
Gender	Frequency	Percent
Male	156	54.5
Female	130	45.5
Qualification		
Under Graduate	180	62.9
Post Graduate	106	37.1
3G Mobile data usage/Month		
1GB/Month	104	36.4
2GB/Month	160	55.9
> 2GB /Month	22	7.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>100.0</b>

The first part of any analysis is to check the reliability and validity of the constructs. The individual item reliability was evaluated as per the recommendations of Hair et al. (2006) on the individual item reliability the loading values of items should be above 0.7. Our results show that the loadings of all

items vary from (0.844- 0.923) thus fulfils the criteria Hair et al. (2006) of cut of value above 0.5. All Item values showed high ( $\alpha > 0.80$ ) (Nunnally, 1978). All the constructs have average variance explained (AVE) loadings values above 0.5 (ranging from .703-.866) thus fulfils the criteria of Chin et al. (1997) and Chin (1998). The discriminant validity was evaluated based on Fornell and Larcker (1981) method. According to Fornell and Larcker (1981) “*the AVE of a construct should be greater than the square of the correlation estimates with the other constructs*”. The results of this study satisfy the recommendation of Fornell and Larcker (1981) for discriminant validity (see Table 3). Table 2 shows factor loadings of items, AVE and Cronbach Alpha values.

The covariance based structural equation modelling was done. The structural model relationships were drawn using the Amos 22 software. The model fitness was measured based on Bentler (1990) and Hu and Bentler (1999) recommendations. According to Bentler (1990) the model is said to be fit if Goodness of Fit Index (GFI), Normed Fit Index (NFI), and Comparative Fit Index (CFI) are greater than 0.90. According Hu and Bentler (1999) if the Root Mean Square Error of Approximation (RMSEA) value is less than 0.08 than it is considered to be a good fit. Adjusted Goodness of Fit Index AGFI is greater than 0.8 Henry and Stone (1994) states that if AGFI values are greater than 0.8 it is said to be a good fit. The model is said to be good if the degrees of freedom ratio are less than 3 (Chin and Todd, 1995). The results of this study show CMIN= 1.075 which has less than 3 thus satisfied the criteria of Hair et al. (2006). Root Mean Square Error of Approximation (RMSEA) = 0.016

which satisfies the criteria of (Hu & Bentler, 1999; Hair et al., 2006). CFI= 0.996, NFI= 0.946 and GFI= 0.926 which has satisfied the criteria of (Bentler, 1990; Hu & Bentler, 1999; Hair et al., 2006; Hair et al., 1998). Table 4 shows the results of goodness of fit index. Figure 2 shows structural equation modelling (SEM) output.

**Table 2: Factor loadings, Average Variance Extracted (AVE) and Cronbach  $\alpha$  values**

Constructs	Items	Loadings	AVE	$\alpha$
CINT	CINT1	0.936	0.810	0.902
	CINT2	0.921		
	CINT3	0.840		
EXTS	EXTS1	0.852	0.774	0.882
	EXTS2	0.895		
	EXTS3	0.892		
PBC	PBC1	0.870	0.775	0.854
	PBC2	0.844		
	PBC3	0.925		
PFEE	PFEE1	0.924	0.866	0.854
	PFEE2	0.933		
	PFEE3	0.935		
INTS	INTS1	0.884	0.776	0.923
	INTS2	0.906		
	INTS3	0.852		
SN	SN1	0.868	0.839	0.844
	SN2	0.941		
	SN3	0.937		
SAT	SAT1	0.910	0.763	0.856
	SAT2	0.868		
	SAT3	0.840		
SYSQ	SYSQ1	0.862	0.755	0.891
	SYSQ2	0.909		
	SYSQ3	0.809		

<b>ATT</b>	ATT1	0.899	0.774	0.904	<b>SQ</b>	SQ1	0.818	0.703	0.860
	ATT2	0.898				SQ2	0.869		
	ATT3	0.885				SQ3	0.808		
	ATT4	0.835				SQ4	0.859		

**Table 3: AVE and the correlation estimates**

	<b>ATT</b>	<b>CINT</b>	<b>EXTS</b>	<b>PBC</b>	<b>PFEE</b>	<b>SAT</b>	<b>INTS</b>	<b>SN</b>	<b>SQ</b>	<b>SYS</b>
<b>ATT</b>	<b>.880</b>									
<b>CINT</b>	0.537	<b>.900</b>								
<b>EXTS</b>	0.083	0.318	<b>.880</b>							
<b>PBC</b>	0.209	0.421	0.209	<b>.880</b>						
<b>PFEE</b>	-0.378	-0.567	-0.060	-0.295	<b>.931</b>					
<b>SAT</b>	0.484	0.736	0.138	0.304	-0.520	<b>.873</b>				
<b>INTS</b>	0.174	0.384	0.229	0.107	-0.182	0.170	<b>.881</b>			
<b>SN</b>	-0.048	0.328	0.571	0.182	-0.056	0.198	0.377	<b>.916</b>		
<b>SQ</b>	-0.312	-0.510	-0.248	-0.258	0.343	-0.463	-0.071	-0.172	<b>.839</b>	
<b>SYS</b>	0.461	0.468	0.052	0.114	-0.211	0.369	0.171	0.033	-0.215	<b>.869</b>

Note: The diagonally bold lettered values are square root of AVE

**Table 4: Goodness of fit statistics**

<b>Goodness of Fit Statistics</b>	<b>Values Obtained</b>	<b>Recommended Values</b>
CMIN/DF	<b>1.075**</b>	< 3 (Chin & Todd, 1995)
Degrees of Freedom	<b>374</b>	as low as possible
Minimum Fit Function Chi-Square	<b>402.123</b>	as low as possible
Root Mean Square Error of Approximation (RMSEA)	<b>0.016**</b>	<0.08 (Hu & Bentler, 1999 ; Hair et al., 2006)
Normed Fit Index (NFI)	<b>0.946**</b>	>.9 Bentler (1990).
Comparative Fit Index (CFI)	<b>0.996**</b>	> .90 (Hu & Bentler, 1999)
Root Mean Square Residual (RMR)	<b>0.09*</b>	<.08 (Hair et al., 2006)
Goodness of Fit Index (GFI)	<b>.926**</b>	>.90 (Bentler, 1990; Hu & Bentler, 1999; Hair et al., 2006; Hair et al., 1998)

Note: \* = Close to fit, \*\*= Absolute Fit



**Table 5: Path coefficients**

Path			$\beta$	$\rho$	Hypothesis	Supported
<b>SYSQ</b>	→	<b>ATT</b>	0.357	***	H1A	Supported
<b>SYSQ</b>	→	<b>SAT</b>	0.185	.001**	H1B	Supported
<b>SQ</b>	→	<b>SAT</b>	-0.265	***	H2B	Supported
<b>SQ</b>	→	<b>ATT</b>	-0.151	.012**	H2A	Supported
<b>PFEE</b>	→	<b>ATT</b>	-0.294	***	H3A	Supported
<b>PFEE</b>	→	<b>SAT</b>	-0.332	***	H3B	Supported
<b>PFEE</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	-0.35	***	H3C	Supported
<b>SAT</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.156	.001**	H4	Supported
<b>ATT</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.23	***	H5	Supported
<b>PBC</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.169	***	H6	Supported
<b>EXTS</b>	→	<b>SN</b>	0.604	***	H7A	Supported
<b>INTS</b>	→	<b>SN</b>	0.241	***	H7B	Supported
<b>SN</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.304	***	H8	Supported

Note: \*\* =  $\rho < .05$ , \*\*\* =  $\rho < .001$ .

### Hypotheses Testing

The results of SEM analysis show support for all hypothesis. Hypothesis H1A, H2B, H3A, H3B, H3C, H5, H6, H7A, H7B, and H8 are significant at  $\rho < 0.001$  level. Hypothesis H1B, H2A, and H4 are significant at  $\rho < 0.05$  level. SYSQ has a positive significant influence on ATT ( $\beta = 0.357$ ,  $\rho = < 0.001$ ) and SAT ( $\beta = 0.185$ ,  $\rho = < 0.05$ ). SQ has negative significant influence on ATT ( $\beta = -.151$ ,  $\rho = < 0.05$ ) and SAT ( $\beta = -0.265$ ,  $\rho = < 0.001$ ). PFEE has negative significant influence on ATT ( $\beta = -0.294$ ,  $\rho = < 0.001$ ), on SAT ( $\beta = -0.332$ ,  $\rho = < 0.001$ ) and CINT ( $\beta = -.350$ ,  $\rho = < 0.001$ ).

**Table 6: Previous supported studies**

Path			$\beta$	Supported previous studies	Contradicts the studies
<b>SYSQ</b>	→	<b>ATT</b>	0.357	-	Boakye (2015); Lee and Chen (2014); Zhou (2011); Zhou (2014); Lee and Chen (2014); Wang and Lin (2012)
<b>SYSQ</b>	→	<b>SAT</b>	0.185		
<b>SQ</b>	→	<b>SAT</b>	-0.265	Wang and Lin (2012) ; Seyal and Rahman (2015)	Lee and Chen (2014); Zhao et al. (2012); Zhou (2011); Li and Yen (2009); Lee and Chen (2014); Wu and Wang (2006); Boakye (2015)
<b>SQ</b>	→	<b>ATT</b>	-0.151		

<b>PFEE</b>	→	<b>ATT</b>	-0.294	Kim (2010) ; Agarwal et al. (2007)	Lin and Wang (2006); Dhaha and Ali (2014)
<b>PFEE</b>	→	<b>SAT</b>	-0.332		
<b>PFEE</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	-0.35		
<b>SAT</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.156	Kim (2010) ; Lee and Chen (2014); Zhou (2014); Li and Yen (2009); Zhou (2011) ; Kim (2009) ; Zhao (2012)	-
<b>ATT</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.23	Suki and Suki (2011); Zhang et al. (2012); Park et al. (2007); Rawashdeh (2015); Khanna and Agarwal (2013)	-
<b>PBC</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.169	Kim (2010) ; Zhang et al. (2012); Khanna and Agarwal (2013)	-
<b>EXTS</b>	→	<b>SN</b>	0.604	López-Nicolás et al. (2008); Kim (2010) ; Zhang et al. (2012)	-
<b>INTS</b>	→	<b>SN</b>	0.241		
<b>SN</b>	→	<b>CINT</b>	0.304		

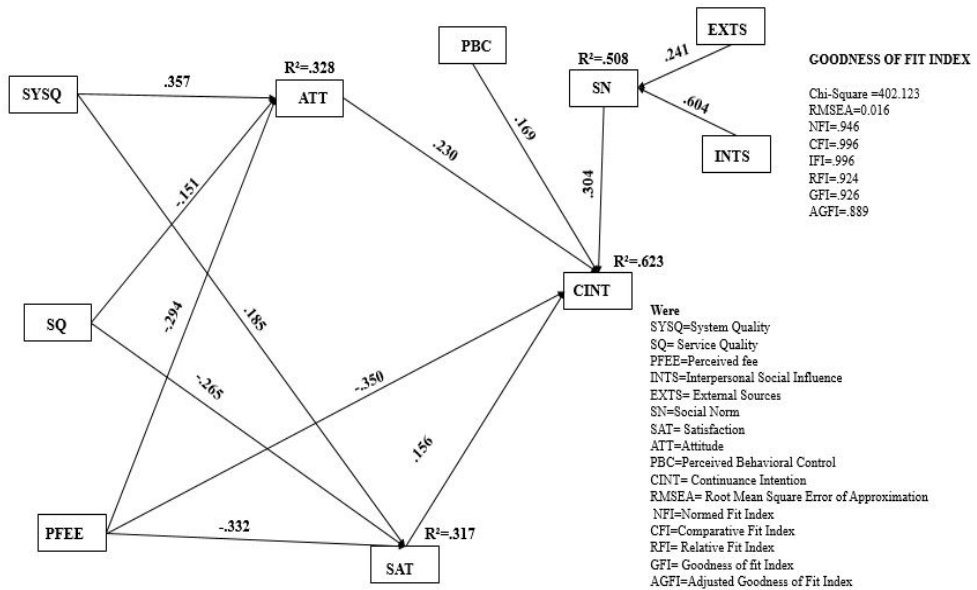


Figure 2

SAT has positive significant influence on CINT ( $\beta = 0.156$ ,  $\rho = <0.05$ ). ATT has a positive significant influence on CINT ( $\beta = 0.230$ ,  $\rho = <0.001$ ), PBC has a positive significant influence on CINT ( $\beta = 0.169$ ,  $\rho = <0.001$ ), EXTS has a positive significant influence on SN ( $\beta = 0.640$ ,  $\rho = <0.001$ ), INTS has a positive significant influence on SN ( $\beta = 0.6241$ ,  $\rho = <0.001$ ) and SN has a positive significant influence on CINT ( $\beta = 0.304$ ,  $\rho = <0.001$ ). Table 5 shows path coefficient values. Table 6 shows supported previous studies. The INTS and EXTS jointly explains 50.8 % of variance on SN. The variance R square explained = 62.3 %, which is considered to be good (Hair et al., 2006).

### Conclusions and Implications

The objective of this study is to explore the factors that affect continuance intention to adopt 3G among young Indian working professionals (IT employees). From the results of this study it can be concluded that SN, SAT, SYSQ, ATT, PFEE, SQ and PBC are important constructs that determine 3G continuance adoption. SN, EXTS, INTS, SYSQ, ATT, SAT and PBC have a positive effect on 3G continuance. SQ and PFEE has a negative effect on 3G continuance. The respondents of this current study are not satisfied with price and service quality of 3G service operator. This is a serious issue which policy makers must make a note on, because young consumers will be the major contributors for m-commerce development in India in the future (Velmurugan & Velmurugan, 2014). The 3G providers must focus on pricing strategies because it was found to have a significant negative impact on a continuance adoption. Also

policy makers must focus on improving service quality, especially after sale service through voice calls. 3G operators must also make a note on the effect of EXTS on CINT, which indicates that external media also influences the consumers to adopt 3G technology. 3G operators must strategize more advertisements and promotions through social media networks to attract more customers.

### Limitations And Future Research

There are several limitations in this study. First the selected sample size consist of only one profession. Future research should include samples from other professions for generalization of results. Secondly, the other relevant factors such as Habit (Lin & Wang, 2006; Kim et al., 2010), Flow (Zhou, 2014) and Switching costs (Ng & Kwahk, 2010) should be examined in future. Also the effect of prior experience on CINT should be examined in future (Kim et al., 2009; Boakye, 2015). Fee perception will keep on fluctuating time to time so longitudinal studies should be conducted in future for better results. Future research should also examine the effect of other relevant theoretical constructs on 3G continuance (Wang & Lin, 2012). There is a need for more research on cost involved in 3G and 4G adoption (Rawashdeh, 2015). Future research should consider moderating effect of age, gender, income and profession on 3G service continuance. Similar study with 4G technology in the future could bring more knowledge about Indian consumers' mobile internet adoption, as it is new to India and predominant only in urban areas.

**Note:** 3G= Third generation mobile internet technology, IS success model= Information system success model, TPB= Theory of planned behaviour, ATT= Attitude, SN= Social Norm, EXTS= External social influence, INTS= Interpersonal Social Influence, PBC= Perceived Behavioral Control, SQ= Service Quality, SYSQ= System Quality, MDS= Mobile data services, CINT= Continuance intention, PFEE= Perceived Fee, SAT= Satisfaction, GFI= Goodness of Fit Index, NFI= Normed Fit Index, CFI= Comparative Fit Index, RMSEA= Root Mean Square Error of Approximation and AGFI= Adjusted Goodness of Fit Index.

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