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## Abstract

The technology market has been undergoing unprecedented changes and growth. From day to day new products, new concepts or new ideas arise on a rhythm like never. One of the most prominent trends in this evolution is the so-called Internet of Things.

Technological gadgets no longer require human intervention to communicate with each other, they do it autonomously and without requiring a direct command. Smart cities, smart homes, smart objects are a trend in the technological market, and it is impossible to be present at a technology fair without being approached by a new product that will revolutionize human life by increasing the use of technology.

In this product segment, we have seen the growth of smart speakers. Speakers that are not limited to reproducing music, but became a complementary object of human life, enhancing the efficiency and automated interaction of smart elements.

In this dissertation project, we propose to investigate the acceptance of smart speakers in Portugal.

To gather data on which we could withdraw conclusions, a questionnaire was developed, adapted from the one developed by Venkatesh et al. (2012). This questionnaire provided insights on which constructs the Portuguese consumer found important or not, in their decision-making process.

The results show that the Portuguese consumers do not look at these products as a product that helps to improve their lives, but as a product for entertainment and leisure use. Besides this, the Portuguese consumer identifies social influence as an important factor to increase their use of this technology.

**Key Words:** Smart Speakers; Information Systems; UTAUT; Behavioral Intention; Use Behavior.

### Resumo

O Mercado tecnológico tem vindo a sofrer alterações e um crescimento, sem precedentes. De dia para dia aparece um novo produto, um novo conceito ou uma nova ideia, a um ritmo como nunca se viu. Uma das tendências em maior destaque nesta e evolução é o Boom da chamada Internet das Coisas.

Os gadgets tecnológicos, deixaram de precisar de intervenção humana para comunicar entre si, eles fazem-no autonomamente, sem precisar de um comando direto. Cidades inteligentes, casas inteligentes, objetos inteligentes são a tendência do mercado tecnológico e é impossível estar presente numa feira tecnológica sem ser abordado um novo produto que irá revolucionar a vida humana.

Neste segmento de produtos, vimos o crescer das colunas inteligentes. Colunas que deixaram de apenas dar som, mas a ser um objeto complementar da vida humana, potenciando a eficiência e a interação automatizada de elementos.

Neste projeto de dissertação propomo-nos a investigar a aceitação das colunas inteligentes em Portugal.

Para obter dados, foi desenvolvido um questionário com base no estudo de Venkatesh et al. (2012). Deste questionário obtivemos insights sobre o que o consumidor português considera importante, ou não, na adoção deste produto.

Os resultados obtidos revelaram que público consumidor português, não olha para estes produtos como um produto que os irá ajudar a melhorar a sua vida, mas como um produto de utilização para entretenimento e lazer. O público considera ainda como fundamental, para a expansão deste produto a nível nacional, a presença de influenciadores que usem os mesmos.

Palavras chave: Smart Speakers; Sistemas de informação; UTAUT; Intenção Comportamental; Comportamento de Uso

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## 1. Introduction

The Internet of things (IoT) is one of the leading topics in scientific development nowadays. According to the *International Data Corporation* market study from 2018, worldwide spendings with the Internet of things will grow at a CAGR (compound annual growth rate) of 13,6% from 2017 to 2022, when it will reach a market value of \$1.2 trillion.

Nearly one-quarter of a century after the commercialization of the Internet, the world business landscape has changed (Kannan et al, 2017). Present in their pockets, in their houses, in their life, the internet has become a significant tool in the daily life of any urban citizen. The connection of the world to an entirely unprecedented network of information, as well as unparalleled dissemination of communication tools, has become a reality with which the world has learned to cope and to live by.

Internet of things itself is a computing concept that describes the idea of ordinary physical objects, connected amongst themselves, recognizing one another through the internet connection (*in <u>https://www.techopedia.com/definition/28247/internet-of-things-</u> <i>iot*). In 1999, on a presentation for P&G, Kevin Ashton first introduced this concept to describe how a universal network of sensors connected to the internet, could process and understand information about the surrounding environment, without human intervention. Simplifying the concept, the Internet of things is about a network of objects connected through the internet, with autonomous communication functions (Park et al, 2017; Jayavard et al., 2013).

Differently from the first definition of the Internet, where data is gathered by people and by people connections, the Internet of things is about data created by "things". The idea behind this concept is that objects connected through "Radio-Frequency Identification tags (RFID), sensors, actuators, mobile phones, etc" are able to interact with each other to fulfill a determined goal (Atzori L. et al., 2013; Canhoto A. et al., 2017).

With such potential, specialists predict that IoT will have a major impact both on everyday-life for consumers as well as on the business landscape. According to <u>www.statista.com</u> market studies, by 2025 there will be 75,44 billion devices connected around the world.

Following the <u>https://iot-analytics.com/</u> market analysis, we split the IoT market into two different segments: Consumer IoT and Business IoT. Consumer IoT is about the impact that these devices will have on the consumers daily life, and it can be divided into four different categories: i) home, which represents home automation, home improvement, and energy efficiency; ii) lifestyle, which represents wearables, entertainment, family and leisure; iii) health, which represents fitness and health monitoring, measurement and diagnosis; and iv) mobility, which regards to the smart cars, and smart-cities (IoT Analytics 2019).

The business IoT segment is about the impact of having connected devices sharing information between them and providing more efficient methodologies and processes on the managerial environment. From the production and storage to distribution or store shelving, IoT will provide more accurate data and real-time visibility into the flows of materials and products (Lee I. et al., 2015). It will have an impact on numerous areas such as retail, health, energy, mobility, cities, manufacturing, public services, and others.

In this study, our goal will be to focus on the consumer IoT environment, specifically in Smart Speakers and their acceptation amongst the Portuguese population.

Smart home or smart-house and home automation, as it can be read in many literature, refers to the use of information and communication technologies (ICT) in house control and maintenance, "ranging from controlling appliances to automation of home features" (Stojkoska B. et al, 2017). These include remote control of windows, temperature, locks and all the connected devices such as home theater. Investopedia (2019) defines Smart home as a "convenient home setup where appliances and devices can be automatically controlled remotely from any internet-connected place in the world using a mobile or other networked device".

It is on the segment of the smart home that we find the Smart Speakers devices, which will be the focus of this study. Although the concept of Smart Speakers is not properly investigated or has a relevant academic research background, a smart speaker is a smart device (a device connected to the internet), that by being connected can perform a set of other tasks besides the one it was created to (Tech Target, 2019). Some smart speakers feature voice assistants, which provide these speakers' other capabilities besides playing music.

Voice Assistants are interfaces that can be used to communicate with all the other smart home devices, as well as perform many other tasks. On an earlier age of Voice Assistant devices, the voice-activated technologies relied on a smaller set of "built-in" commands that originated certain responses. Nowadays, voice assistants are connected to the internet, with each interaction being analysed on a central computing system, that provides the proper reaction (Hoy M, 2018).

The most famous voice assistant interfaces are *Siri*, from Apple, *Cortana*, from Windows, Alexa, from Amazon, *Google Assistance*, from Google, and *Bixby*, from Samsung. These interfaces rely on natural language processing (which is computational linguistics), to create meaningful responses quickly. Hirscheberg J. et al (2015) state that the improvements in natural language recognition happened due to the combination of the following four factors:

- Increase in computing power;
- Availability of large amounts of linguistic data;
- Development of highly successful machine learning methods;
- A richer understanding of human language and its deployment in social contexts.

Smart speakers that work with voice-assistants, are on a permanent "listen-mode" and are activated by voice control when the user expresses a "wake word" (McCue, 2018). Following on Hoy M. (2018) paper, the main functionalities of these integrated voice assistants are:

- Send and read text messages, make phone calls, and send and real e-mail messages;
- Answer basic informational queries;
- Set timers, alarms and calendar entries;
- Set reminders, make lists and do basic math calculations;
- Control media playback from connected services such as Amazon, Google Play, iTunes, Pandora, Netflix, and Spotify;
- Control IoT enabled devices such as thermostats, lights, alarms, and locks;
- Play recreational jokes and stories;

• Other features, called "skills" that expand their abilities by interfacing with other programs via voice commands.

Overviewing the smart speakers' market, it has been growing with tremendous potential. In the US, more than 25% of the households already have a smart speaker, and the predictions aim to double this number by 2022 (Radhika G. 2019). On the other hand, in China, in just one year the smart speaker market share went from almost non-existing to 30% with the market being evaluated at over 7 billion dollars (Routley, 2019). According to the same author, USA and China hold around 70% of the smart speakers' market, with the rest of the world owning the other 30%

The first smart speaker on the market was Amazon Echo, back in 2014, followed by the Google Home in 2016. From 2017 on, more brands were introduced to the market, mainly influenced by the sales increase in the Chinese market. According to <u>www.statista.com</u> analysis on smart speakers' market share quarterly, the biggest players on the market nowadays, are Amazon, Google, and Alibaba as it can be seen on the following table



Figure 1- Smart speaker unit shipments by brand

Source: Statista.com

#### **1.1 Research Problem**

As we above mentioned, smart speakers are making quite a success in some markets but have not quite made it on others. USA and China represent 70% of the smart speakers market share, with the rest being divided for the rest of world, but as it can be seen on the table below, withdrawn from *Statista.com*, in 2019 the predictions aim to a reduction of this gap between Europe and the USA and the Asia Pacific sales.



*Figure 2 - Smart speakers unit sales predictions (2019)* **Source:** Statista.com

In the current study, we will investigate the user's acceptance of this new information technology, in Portugal, a market that is still flourishing. You can now buy smart speakers on some physical retailers, and you will be able to order them online, yet it is not a so widely spread product, and there is still a lot of room for it to grow and to establish in the market.

The main **Research Question** of this study will be: What are the main motivations and the main barriers to the acceptance of this new information technology in Portugal?

There are several models that try to explain a user's acceptance behavior of new Information technology and Information System. In the following literature review, we will contextualize the most prominent models, reviewing the same, and concluding which one will be more suitable to the current study.

On our path to find the answer to the main research question, we will aim to understand which constructs do the Portuguese consumer most value on smart speakers, and which constructs will mostly impact the usage behavior.

## 2. Literature Review

Individual acceptance and use of information technologies has been subject of large amount of researches, with various theories and models being developed to understand individuals' intentions to adopt a new technology, with the psychology and sociology fields being key contributors to this development (Venkatesh et al., 2003; Venkatesh et al., 2012; Benbasat et al. 2007; Hu et al., 1999).

Each model has its own characteristics, however, it is possible to find some similarities across them (Venkatesh et al, 2003). Considering the main question, we pursue the answer to, our aim in our literature review will be, to determine which model is more suitable to perform data analysis on the Portuguese consumers' behavior regarding a new technology.

Between all the models created to better understand users' acceptance and use of new information technologies, eight of them were considered by Venkatesh (2003) as "*prominent models*" to consider when developing a unified view of technology acceptance models. This consideration is important for understanding, not only which models could be followed to conduct a proper user acceptance test on smart speaker usage intentions in Portugal, but also to determine which model would be more suited for the purpose of this investigation.

At the end of our literature review, we will conclude which model should be followed, developing the investigation according to its main constructs. In order, to conduct this analysis we will follow on Venkatesh et al. (2003) review of these same models.

The models that we are going to study are the following: Theory of Reasoned Action (TRA), Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), Motivational Model (MM), Theory of Planned Behavior (TPB), Combined TAM and TPB (C-TAM-TPB), Model of PC Utilization (MPCU), Innovation Diffusion Theory (IDT), Social Cognitive Theory (SCT) and Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology (UTAUT).

Following on Venkatesh et al. (2003) research, the authors positioned each model, over the influence of four moderators. On the models that we will review, these moderators were found to have an impact on the conclusions. Since we do not want to

exclude any variable, that we may find important for the decision on which one is the proper model to use, we will review each model and make considerations on these moderators' impact. The four moderators are Experience, Voluntariness, Gender, and Age.

## 2.1 Theory of Reasoned Action (TRA)

Developed by Ajzen and Fishbein (1975), and with its basis in social psychology, TRA is one of the most fundamental and influential theories of human behavior (Venkatesh et al. 2003). The core constructs of this Model are Attitude Towards Behaviour and Subjective Norm concerning behavior as a predictor of individual intention to perform a determined behavior (Ajzen and Fishbein 1975).

Attitude towards behavior is understood as individuals' general favourableness or unfavourableness towards some stimulus object (Ajzen and Fishbein, 1975). In their study, the authors considered that the beliefs created around an object, lead to the creation of an attitude towards it which is a function of his/her evaluations of the object attributes.

On the other hand, subjective norm consists of the "*perception that the people who surround him think he should or should not adopt a determined behavior*" (Fishbein & Ajzen, 1975: 302). Following on the authors' theory analysis, Subjective Norm is determined by the perceived expectations of a referral group and by the individuals' motivation to comply with that group expectations.

Regarding the moderators influencing the model, we can find references to Experience and Voluntariness in some literature. On the other hand, both Gender and Age have been used to enrich the present model.

The experience was not considered as a moderator in the original model, yet (Davis et al., 1989) examined the role of experience using a cross-sectional analysis, with no change in the salience of determinants. Kahanna (1999) found that as experience increased, the Attitude construct grew in importance while the Subjective norm construct would diminish its importance.

#### 2.2 Technology Acceptance Model (TAM)

Developed by Fred D. Davis (1989) TAM was conceptualized for the Information Systems context. It was developed as a model to predict Information Technology Acceptance and usage, on in-job tasks. Originally, the key constructs of this model were Perceived Usefulness and Perceived Ease of Use, Davis (1989).

Perceived Usefulness is described as "the degree to which a person believes that using a particular system would enhance his or her performance" (Davis, 1989:320), which means that a person tends to use, or do not use, an application to the extent that the individual believes it will have a positive impact on his performance.

Perceived Ease of Use is described as "*the degree to which a person believes that using a particular system would be free of effort*" (Davis, 1989:320), which enrich the previous construct by considering that even if an application is perceived as useful, the applications' complexity will influence the users' acceptance of information technology.

Davis et al (2000) extended the original TAM model, adding more constructs on the influence of an individual's acceptance of new information systems. In this model, the subjective norm was considered as another predictor of intention, in the case of mandatory settings, Venkastesh et al. (2003) apud Davis et al. (2000). In their research, Davis et al. (2000), followed on the TRA definition of Subjective Norm: "*Person's perception that most people who are important to him think he should or should not perform the behavior in question*", to develop the model.

Regarding the four moderators that Venkatesh et al. (2003) identified, the only one which was not tested in any further development of the model, was age. Even though the experience was not explicitly included in the original TAM, Davis (1989) and Szajna (1996), provided empirical evidence that with the increase of the experience the construct of ease of use becomes non-significant. In the original TAM, voluntariness was not included, however with the introduction of the subjective norm on TAM2, voluntariness was found to be salient only in mandatory settings with limited experience. Even though gender was not included in the original TAM, Venkatesh and Moore (2000) demonstrated that Perceived Usefulness was more salient for men and Perceived Ease of Use for

women. In the same research, subjective norm was identified as a more salient variable for women in the early stages of experience.

#### 2.3 Motivation Model (MM)

Motivation theory has been used as an explanatory theory for human behavior, that had much support from the literature (Venkatesh et al. 2003). For its importance, the motivation model has been applied in several numbers of subjects, including as we are seeing here, Information Systems. David et al (1992) on a study on Extrinsic and Intrinsic Motivation to use computers in the workplace, corroborated the previous literature by identifying extrinsic and intrinsic motivation as key drivers for an individual's intention to perform a certain behavior.

The core constructs of this theory are intrinsic and extrinsic motivation. Vallerand (1997) defined intrinsic motivation as a "behavior performed by itself, in order to experience pleasure and satisfaction inherent in the activity", and extrinsic motivation as "performing a behavior in order to achieve some separable goal, such as receiving rewards or avoiding punishment".

Regarding the four moderators identified on Venkatesh (2003), none of them was developed on the motivational model regarding Information Systems, as far as our research went.

## 2.4 Theory of Planned Behaviour (TPB)

Developed by Ajzen (1985), Theory of Planned Behaviour is an extension of the Theory of Reasoned Action, differing from this by taking into account perceived and actual control over the behavior into consideration. Regarding the purpose of this study, the Theory of Planned Behaviour has been successfully used to understand individual acceptance and usage of different technologies, Venkatesh et al. (2003).

Perceived Behavioural Control is considered by Ajzen, as the perceived ease or difficulty of performing a behavior, Ajzen (1991). Following on the same author

investigation, "*expectancies regarding locus of control are likely to influence behavior only to the extent that they have an impact on perceived control over the specific behavior in question*", Ajzen (1991:188). In the context of Information Systems Research, Taylor et al. (1995 b) define the construct as the perception of internal and external constraints in behavior.

A related model of TPB is DTPB (decomposed theory of planned behavior), Venkatesh et al. (2003), which is the decomposition of the three main constructs of TPB into their underlying belief structure, within the technology adoption model.

Following on Venkatesh et al. (2003) analysis on moderators influencing the investigations, we have that even though experience was not explicitly included in the original model, some follow-on studies have demonstrated that. Just as Karahanna (1999) found in the context of TRA, experience has an impact on the relationship between subjective norm and behavioral intention. Voluntariness was also not included in the original research, yet, as noted on TRA, subjective norm is suggested to be influenced by Voluntariness (Venkatesh et al. 2003 apud Hartwick et al. 1994). Venkatesh et al. (2000) concluded that attitude was more salient on men while subjective norm and perceived behavioral control were more salient for women. The attitude was also more salient on youngsters while the subjective norm was more salient on older women, Venkatesh et al. (2000).

## 2.5 Combined TAM and TPB (Augmented TAM)

Taylor et al. (1995a), identified that the existing models to predict information systems acceptance had a lack of discrimination on whether the individual had prior experience with Information Systems or not.

This research was conducted by adopting both TAM and TPB, using four main constructs that had already been developed on those models: attitude toward behavior, subjective norm, perceived behavioral control and perceived usefulness.

The research concluded that the augmented TAM provided an adequate model for both experienced and inexperienced users.

Regarding the moderators' impact on the research, experience was already included in the original model, and it was demonstrated that Perceived Usefulness, Attitude toward behavior and behavior control were more salient with increasing of the experience while subjective norm became less salient.

There has not been identified any further developments regarding the other three models using the Combined TAM and TPB model, neither has it been found by Venkatesh et al. (2003).

## 2.6 Model of PC Utilization (MPCU)

Developed by Thompson et al. (1991), MPCU is a derivation of the Triandis (1977) theory of human behavior, adapted for the information systems contexts. The nature of the model makes it particularly suited for the prediction of individuals' acceptance and use of information technologies. The focus of Thompson et al. (1991) model, was to predict usage behavior rather than intention, Venkatesh (2003).

The core constructs of this model are job fit, complexity, long-term consequences, affect towards use, social factors and facilitating conditions, Thompson et al. (1991).

Job-fit is the dimension that considers the extent to which an individual believes that using a computer enhances his performance, Thompson et al (1991). The current literature extent has created empirical support to claim that there is a positive relationship between perceived job fit and PC utilization.

On complexity, Thompson et al. (1991) adopted Rogers et al. (1971) definition as the "*degree to which an innovation is perceived as relatively difficult to understand and use*", Thompson et al. (1991:128). According to Tornatzky et al. (1982), the more complex an innovation is, the lower will the adoption rate be.

Long-term consequences of use are the outcomes that have a pay-off in the future, Thompson et al (1991).

Regarding the affect towards use, Thompson at al (1991) adopt the Triandis (1977) definition as "*an idea, charged with affect, that predisposes a class of action to a* 

*particular class of social situations*", Thompson et al. (1991:127), that the individual considered to be an imprecise term which would be better for discussion.

The social factors construct was also derived from Triandis (1977), with Thompson et al. (1991) adopting the definition as the "*the individual internalization of the reference groups subjective culture, and specific interpersonal agreements that the individual has made with other, in a specific social context*" Thompson et al. (1991:126).

Finally, facilitating conditions definition was also adopted from Triandis's (1977) study as "*objective factors, out-there in the environment, that several judges or observers can agree that makes an act easy to do*" Thompson et al. (1991:129).

Positioning this model on the four moderators identified on Venkatesh et al. (2003) research, only experience can be found on the original Thompson et al. (1991) demonstrating that complexity, affect towards use, social factors, and facilitating conditions were more salient with less experience, while on the other hand, long-term consequences increased its importance with increase of experience levels.

## 2.7 Innovation Diffusion Theory (IDT)

Rogers (1962) developed the Innovation Diffusion Theory, which is one of the oldest social science theories. It has been used for a wide diversity of innovations, ranging from agricultural tools to organizational innovations, Venkatesh (2003).

Moore & Benbasat (1991) adopted the characteristics of innovation, present on Rogers (1962) model, and refined a set of constructs that could be used to study individual technology acceptance.

The core constructs of this model are relative advantage, ease of use, image, visibility, compatibility, results demonstrability and voluntariness of use.

Following on Rogers (1983) paper, Moore & Benbasat (1991) defined relative advantage as "the degree to which an innovation is perceived as being better than its precursor" and compatibility as "the degree to which an innovation is perceived as being consistent with the existing values, needs, and past experiences of potential adopters", Moore & Benbasat (1991:195). Even though some researchers find image to be part of the relative advantage construct, others consider image different enough to be a separate construct, Moore & Benbasat (1991). Accordingly, the authors accepted image as "the degree to which use of an innovation is perceived to enhance one's image or status in one's social system". Voluntariness of use was deemed necessary for this study, and Moore & Benbasat (1991) defined it as "*The degree to which use of innovation is perceived as being voluntary, or of free will*", Moore & Benbasat (1991:195). Venkatesh et al (2003:431) apud Moore and Benbasat (1991), defined the visibility construct as "*the degree to which one can see others using the system in the organization*".

The last two constructs of this model were withdrawn from Davis (1986) TAM and are perceived ease of use and perceived usefulness.

On Venkatesh et al (2003) analysis, the authors found that the individual experience with information systems would have an impact on the constructs, Karahanna et al (1999) and that voluntariness would impact individuals' intention to use.

## 2.8 Social Cognitive Theory (SCT)

Social Cognitive theory was developed by A. Bandura in the '60s and is considered one of the "most powerful theories of human behavior", Venkatesh et al (2003).

In 1995, Compeau and Higgins developed and extended the SCT model to the context of computer utilization, Venkatesh et al (2003). Even though the original study was on "computer use", the nature of the model and its underlying theory allow it to be extended to acceptance and use of technology. Venkatesh et al (2003) overviewed the model, assuming the dependent variable as intention and usage of information systems. For the purpose of this study, we will follow the same streamline.

The core constructs of the SCT model, developed by Compeau & Higgins (1995) are outcomes expectations – regarding performance, outcomes expectations – regarding personal goals, self-efficacy, affect and anxiety.

Outcomes expectations are the consequences of the behavior, Venkatesh et al. (2003) apud Compeau & Higgins (1995). Compeau & Higgins (1995) differed it into performance – which are personal expectations of job-related outcomes – and personal –

which refers to the personal expectation regarding the individual esteem and sense of accomplishment.

According to their literature review, Compeau & Higgins (1995) adopted the definition of self-efficacy as the capability to perform a certain behavior. Affect refers to the individual's affect for a particular behavior and the influence that it has on his actions, Compeau & Higgins (1995). Anxiety is the last construct, and it is about the emotional reactions that an individual evokes when considering performing a behavior, Compeau & Higgins (1995).

Regarding the four Moderators that Venkatesh considered in his study, besides the lack of consideration of those four factors on the original study, we did not find any further development on these on the following investigations.

## 2.9 Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology

Originally developed by Venkatesh et al. (2003), UTAUT is no more than the aggregation of the most influential streamlines of technology acceptance research. In this model, Venkatesh et al (2003) analyzed the same eight models that we have, with the purpose to find out which constructs better determine an individual's behavioral intention to adopt, or not, a determined information system. The four main constructs of this model are performance expectancy, effort expectancy, social influence and facilitating conditions.

Following the authors definitions, performance expectancy is "*the degree to which an individual believes that using the system will help him or her to attain gains in job performance*", Venkatesh et al. (2003:447), which means that performance expectancy stands for the perception that an individual has of how a new information system will impact his in-job performance, Venkatesh et al (2003).

Effort expectancy is considered "*the degree of ease associated with the use of the system*", Venkatesh et al. (2003:450), which stands for the perception of ease that the individual will have to use a determined information system, Venkatesh et al (2003).

Social influence is defined as "the degree to which an individual perceives that important others believe he or she should use the new system" (Venkatesh et al., 2003:451). This definition frames the third-party influence on an individual usage intention of a new information system (Venkatesh et al., 2003).

Facilitating conditions are defined as "the degree to which an individual believes that an organizational and technical infrastructure exists to support the system", Venkatesh et al. (2003:453) that stand for the individual perception that his possible difficulties in adopting a system would be diminished by a proper CRM system, Venkatesh et al (2003).

Since the UTAUT model was designed with the incorporation of the four moderators that we have seen on all of the other models, moderators were all take into consideration. Performance expectations and effort expectancy are both found to be influenced by both gender and age, as well as experience, Venkatesh et al. (2003). The construct of social influence is contingent with all four moderators, being considered by the authors as almost nonsignificant if the moderators were not included. At last, facilitating conditions construct was only significant when analyzed in conjunction with the moderating effects of age and experience.

Understanding the limitations of the current literature in predicting the individual's behavior intention on the consumers' environment, Venkatesh et al. (2012) extended the UTAUT model, developing UTAUT 2: a model created to the purpose of understanding consumers acceptance and use of information systems on the daily life.

Adapting the model to the consumer context, required some alterations on the original model as the dropping of voluntariness as a moderator. The definitions of the already included constructs also suffered some alterations with performance expectancy being defined as "the degree to which using a technology will provide benefits to consumers in performing certain activities", effort expectancy is "the degree of ease associated with consumers' use of technology", social influence is "is the extent to which consumers perceive that important others (e.g., family and friends) believe they should use a particular technology" and at last facilitating conditions is "consumers' perceptions of the resources and support available to perform a behavior", Venkatesh et al. (2012:159).

Finally, the adaptation of the UTAUT to the consumer context led to the inclusion of three more constructs: hedonic motivation, price value, and habit.

By hedonic motivation, Venkatesh et al. (2012) adopt the definition of Brown and Venkatesh (2005) as "the fun or pleasure derived from using technology", which has been shown to play an important role in determining technology acceptance and use, Venkatesh et al (2012).

Price value is defined as "consumers' cognitive trade-off between the perceived benefits of the applications and the monetary cost of using it", Venkatesh et al. (2012:161), derived from Dodds et al (1991) definition, and this regards to the extent that an individual has to pay to acquire a new information system instead of what we have seen until now.

At last, experience and habit have also been included as constructs on this model. Experience "*reflects an opportunity to use a target technology and is typically operationalized as the passage of time from the initial use of a technology by an individual*" and habit is defined as "*the extent to which people tend to perform behaviors automatically because of learning*", Venkatesh et al (2012:161).

## 2.10 In sum

The above-mentioned models all present a proper form of understanding of individuals' intention to use a determined technology. Yet, to the purpose of this research, is important to understand which one is better.

Moving away from what could be purely an empirical analysis, on the Venkatesh et al. (2003) research to build a unified view of models, the nine models were tested to understand which one represented the biggest variance of the variable "Intention" (Venkatesh et al. 2013; Venkatesh et al. 2012).

There were conducted four studies: two for voluntary settings and two for nonvoluntary settings. In all these studies, the constructs were evaluated three times: posttraining of using a new information system, one month after the implementation of the system and three months after the implementation of the systems. Afterward, the data was treated for each one of the first eight models, creating a pooled analysis of the same.

Comparing these results to the ones obtained from the UTAUT research, which after its formulation was again tested, the model that represented better the variance as Intention predictor was by large the Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology, with an adjusted  $R^2$  of 69%, Venkatesh et al. (2003).

Furthermore, the Venkatesh et al (2012) investigation is directed exclusively to the consumer environment, which is in fact what we will approach in this study, resulting in an increase of the variance explained in behavioral intention (74%) and use behavior (52%). Venkatesh et al. (2012) also tested the validity of the UTAUT2 model without the influence of the four moderators. This model outcomes revealed a variance explanation of 44% for Behavioural Intention and of 35% for use behavior, Venkastesh et al. (2012).

There forth the model we will follow to perform our research will be the Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology since it is the most proper model to apply to the consumer context.

### 2.11 Formulation of Hypothesis

Positioning our research question on these models ("What are the main motivations and the main barriers for the acceptance of this new information technology in Portugal?"), our research aims to understand which constructs would be more important for the Portuguese consumer. With that in mind we will evaluate the impact of the Performance Expectancy, Effort Expectancy, Social influence, Facilitating conditions, Hedonic Motivations, Price Value and Habit on the Portuguese consumers Behavioural Intention and Use Behaviour.

Performance Expectancy is the construct that addresses the individual's expectations of personal fulfillment through the use of certain technology (Venkatesh et al. 2003).

The importance of this variable is present in all the previously discussed models. In the TAM model the influence of this construct is present in the perceived usefulness construct; in the motivation model, this variable is present in the extrinsic motivation construct; in the MPCU model this construct is reflected in the job-fit variable; in the IDT model it is represented by the relative advantage variable; finally, in the SCT model is present in the outcome expectations variable. In all of these models, performance expectancy is Behavior Intention's strongest predictor, whether technology is used voluntarily or not.

 $H_1$  – Performance expectancy has a significant and positive impact on behavioral intentions regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

Effort Expectancy, as the name suggests, is the ease-of-use technology (Venkatesh et al. 2003). Other models that also use this concept in their variables are TAM (through the perceived ease of use variable), MPCU (defined in the complexity variable) and IDT (which alongside TAM also uses the ease of use variable) (Venkatesh et al. 2003).

In any of these models, the influence of this construct is noticeable, especially when there is little or no experience of using the technology. In these same models, it is noted that as the user experience increases, the impact of this variable tends to decrease (Venkatesh et al. 2003). For the extent of our study, and since the adoption of smart speakers in Portugal is not well established, we will consider a positive impact of effort expectancy in behavior intention.

 $H_2$  – Effort Expectancy has a significant and positive impact on behavioral intentions regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

Social Influence is the construct that assesses the impact of the opinion of people that the user values on whether or not to use technology (Venkatesh et al. 2003).

Despite being present under different names, the TRA, TAM2, TPB / DTPB, C-TAM-TPB, MPCU, and IDT models all have a variable that recognizes the impact of third parties on user attitudes. In environments of voluntary use of a technology, third party influence is seen as influencing the user's perception of the technology in question (Venkatesh and Davis 2000). For the extent of our research, we will consider the social influence construct has a positive variable impacting behavior intention.

 $H_3$  – Social Influence has a significant and positive impact on behavioral intentions regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

Facilitating conditions, in turn, represent the individual's belief that there is a support structure for their use of a certain technology (Venkatesh et al. 2003). This definition can be found in other models in the form of perceived behavioral control (TPB / DTPB and C-TAM-TPB), facilitating conditions (MPCU) and compatibility (IDT). In each of these models, the variables are equated to the extent that there are organizational aspects that are created to reduce the barriers to technology adoption (Venkatesh et al. 2003). According to the author, the presence of the effort expectancy and performance expectancy variables reduces the impact of the facilitating conditions variable on Behavioral Intention. However, Venkatesh et al. (2003) also reflect on the increased impact of this variable as the user experience increases.

 $H_4$  – Facilitating conditions has a significant and positive impact on behavioral intentions regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

 $H_5$  – Facilitating conditions has a significant and positive impact on use behavior regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

Hedonic Motivation is the variable that considers the pleasure and fun that the user derives from the use of technology (Venkatesh et al. 2012). Other authors, such as Heijden V. (2004) or Thong et al. (2006) analyzed the impact of this variable and found that it has a significance regarding the use and adoption of a particular technology (Venkatesh et al. 2012).

Venkatesh et al. (2012) successfully use this variable as an influencer of behavior Intention on the consumer market. For the extent of our research, we will follow on the author's tail, and also consider that this variable will have a positive impact on behavior intention.

 $H_6$  – Hedonic motivation has a positive and significant impact on behavioral intentions regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

Price Value is the variable that defines the cognitive trade-off that the user forms between the benefits provided by the use of technology and its cost (Doods et al. 1991). This figure tends to have a significant impact on behavior intention when analyzing the consumer market, as opposed to a business market analysis where costs are usually borne by the company (Venkatesh et al. 2012).

In this study, such as Venkatesh et al. (2012) did, we consider that this variable will impact behavior intention. Venkatesh et al. (2012) theorize that this impact will be positive when the benefits of using technology outweigh the cost of technology. Given the added value of the product and the wide range of prices on the market, for our study, we will consider that price value will have a positive impact on behavior intention.

 $\mathbf{H}_7$  – Price value has a significant and positive impact on behavioral intentions regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

Habit is a construct defined as the phenomenon of user automation of tasks (Kim et al 2005). One of the constructs that influence this variable is the existence of previous experience in the use of a certain technology (Venkatesh et al 2012). Kim et al (2005) concluded that the past use of a particular technology will influence the adoption of that technology.

Venkatesh et al. (2012) conceptualize that habit, influenced by the experience of use, influences not only behavior intention as well as use behavior. For our investigation, we will consider the effect of habit, without the influence of moderators, on both behavioral intention and use behavior.

 $H_8$  – Habit has a significant and positive impact on behavioral intentions regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

 $H_9$  – Habit has a significant and positive impact on use behavior regarding the adoption of smart speakers;

Behavioral Intention is the construct that is proposed to be influenced by the performance expectancy, effort expectancy, social influence, facilitating conditions, hedonic motivations, price value and habit (Venkatesh et al. 2012). Following on Sheppard et al. (1988) research, behavioral intention is formed by all the factors that the decision-maker considers influencing his behavior, at the time of the decision.

Consistent with the theories of all models presented in the literature review, Venkatesh et al. (2003) proposed that behavioral intention would have a significant and positive impact on use behavior.

For the purpose of our research, we will follow on Venkatesh et al. (2012) research and also purpose that this construct will have a significant and positive impact on use behavior.

 $H_{10}$  – Behaviour intention has a significant and positive impact on use behavior regarding the adoption of smart speakers.

## 3. Research Methodology

For this research, we made a quantitative analysis with primary data collection, so that we could evaluate the validity of the proposed hypotheses.

After conducting a literature review of models evaluating the adoption of new technologies, we adapted the questionnaire developed by Venkatesh et al. (2012) for the acceptance of smart speakers in Portugal.

Since the goal of this research is to evaluate the Portuguese population intention to use smart speakers, after adapting the original questionnaire to the theme of this research, it was translated to Portuguese and afterward translated back to English by a professional translator, to guarantee the validity of the same. The measurement items (the scales of each construct) were adopted and adapted from the Venkatesh et al. (2012) questionnaire. Table 1 shows the items used by the author, and the respective scale used.

Variable	Original Question	Adaption to the Research	Scale
PE 1	I find mobile Internet useful in my daily life	I think a Smart Speaker could be useful in my daily life	7 Likert-Scale
PE 2	Using mobile Internet increases my chances of achieving things that are important to me	I think using a Smart Speaker would increase my chances of achieving personal goals	7 Likert-Scale
PE 3	Using mobile Internet helps me accomplish things more quickly	Using a Smart Speaker would help me complete my tasks faster	7 Likert-Scale
PE 4	Using mobile Internet increases my productivity	Using a Smart Speaker would increase my productivity	7 Likert-Scale
EE 1	Learning how to use mobile Internet is easy for me	Learning to use a Smart Speaker seems easy to me	7 Likert-Scale
EE 2	My interaction with mobile Internet is clear and understandable	Interacting with a Smart Speaker would be easy and understandable	7 Likert-Scale
EE 3	I find mobile Internet easy to use	I think using a smart speaker would be easy	7 Likert-Scale
EE 4	It is easy for me to become skillful at using mobile Internet	I find it easy to become good at using a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale
<b>SI</b> 1	People who are important to me think that I should use mobile Internet	People important to me think I should use a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale
SI 2	People who influence my behavior think that I should use mobile Internet	People who influence my behavior think I should get a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale

 Table 1 - Adaptation of Venkatesh et al. (2012) survey

SI 3	People whose opinions that I value prefer that I use mobile Internet	People whose opinion I value think I should use a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale
FC 1	I have the resources necessary to use mobile Internet	-	7 Likert-Scale
FC 2	I have the knowledge necessary to use mobile Internet	I have the knowledge to use a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale
FC 3	Mobile Internet is compatible with other technologies I use	A Smart Speaker is compatible with other technologies I use	7 Likert-Scale
FC 4	I can get help from others when I have difficulties using mobile Internet	I can get help from others when I have trouble using a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale
HM 1	Using mobile Internet is fun	Using a smart speaker would be funny	7 Likert-Scale
HM 2	Using mobile Internet is enjoyable	Using a Smart Speaker would be enjoyable	7 Likert-Scale
HM 3	Using mobile Internet is very entertaining	Using a Smart Speaker would be a lot of fun	7 Likert-Scale
PV 1	Mobile Internet is reasonably priced	The price of a smart speaker is reasonable	7 Likert-Scale
PV 2	Mobile Internet is a good value for the money	A smart speaker is a good value for the money	7 Likert-Scale
PV 3	At the current price, mobile Internet provides a good value	At the current price, a Smart Speaker is at fair value	7 Likert-Scale
HT 1	The use of mobile Internet has become a habit for me	Using a Smart Speaker would become a habit for me.	7 Likert-Scale
HT 2	I am addicted to using mobile Internet	Using a Smart Speaker would get me addicted	7 Likert-Scale
HT 3	I must use mobile Internet	I must use a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale
HT 4	Using mobile Internet has become natural to me	Using a Smart Speaker would be natural for me	7 Likert-Scale
BI 1	I intend to continue using mobile Internet in the future	I intend to use a Smart Speaker	7 Likert-Scale
BI 2	I will always try to use mobile Internet in my daily life	I would always try to use a Smart Speaker in my daily life	7 Likert-Scale
BI 3	I plan to continue to use mobile Internet frequently	I intend to use a Smart Speaker often	7 Likert-Scale
UB	Please choose your usage frequency for each of the following	Please choose your usage frequency for each of the following	7 Likert-Scale
UB 1	SMS	Interact with other smart objects	7 Likert-Scale
UB 2	MMS	SMS sending by voice	7 Likert-Scale
UB 3	Ringtone and logo download	Searching for information online by voice	7 Likert-Scale
UB 4	Java games	-	7 Likert-Scale
UB 5	Browse websites	-	7 Likert-Scale
UB 6	Mobile e-mail	-	7 Likert-Scale

Differently from what Venkatesh et al. (2012) have done, that evaluated the user's perception at two different stages to verify the influence of experience, we only asked the respondents once. Since in this study we will not address the influence of experience on technology adoption, this issue was merely a descriptive analysis of the sample.

The scales to measure performance expectancy, effort expectancy, social influence, facilitating conditions and behavioral intention had already been used by Venkatesh et al. (2003). Venkatesh et al. (2012) withdrawn the habit scale from Limayem and Hirt (2003), the scale to measure hedonic motivation was adapted from Kim et al. (2005) and the price value scale was adapted from Dodds et al. (1991).

All the items were measured on a seven-point Likert scale, with the two extreme points being identified as "*Strongly Disagree*" and "*Strongly Agree*". The middle point of the scale was identified as a point of indifference for the user "*neither disagree nor agree*". The exception was the question regarding the user's experience with smart speakers, whose answers ranged from "*Have never used*" to "*Frequent User*", also on a seven-point Likert Scale.

Taking into consideration the innovative nature of the product under research, in the introduction of the questionnaire, a mood board was presented describing the product and its features, see Appendix A - slide 2.

The questionnaire was uploaded to the web and communicated through the web hosting service Qualtrix Survey Software. Respondents could access the survey by clicking on a URL provided in the message delivered by e-mail or social media. To engage with the participants, social media and e-mails had a brief explanation regarding the purpose of the questionnaire.

Before launching the questionnaire, an initial validation was done. For that validation, five people answered the questionnaire and provided insights on the same. With those insights, items PE 2, PE 3, EE 4 and HT 2 were slightly adapted, so they would be easier to comprehend.

Appendix A shows the questionnaire translation and presentation, as all the participants saw it. Appendix B provides evidence on all the descriptive statistics.

## 4. Results

The survey has received a total amount of 253 responses, with 190 being valid.

The following figures describe the demographic statistics of the questionnaire:



Figure 3 - Gender Distribution











Figure 5 - Professional Occupancy

## Experience with Smart Speaker



Figure 7 - Experience with Smart Speakers

As shown above, our sample consists of a mostly male audience, with a ratio of approximately 57% men to 43% women.

41.1% of our sample is aged between 18 and 24 years old, and the second most represented age group is between 25 and 34 years old. The third-largest age group is 45 to 54 years old.

Regarding education, 44.7% of the sample has a Bachelor's degree or equivalent, and the second group of Masters is people with masters who represent 22.1% of the sample.

The vast majority of the sample (68.4%) are full-time workers, and the second most prominent group are working students (16.8%).

Looking at the experience of using smart speakers, the vast majority of the sample has never used one (58.95%), with only 3.68% of the sample saying they use it frequently.

#### 4.1 Procedure for data analysis

Following on Venkatesh et al. (2012) research, since we have a large number of interaction terms, instead of applying multiple linear regression, we will use a Partial Least Squares (PLS) model to analyse our sample. In order to perform the PLS test, we used the Smart PLS 3.0 software.

First, after withdrawing our database from the web hosting service, we ran it through IBM SPSS. On SPSS we first started to clean from the database all the incomplete answers to the survey. Smart PLS 3.0 program wouldn't work with missing values, so this was a preliminary requirement to run this program.

Since we were already using the SPSS software to analyse our database, we also performed the descriptive analysis shown above, using the *Descriptive statistics* tool. Afterward, on the Smart PLS 3.0 software, we uploaded the database without missing values.

On the Smart PLS 3.0, we built the frame of reference. This frame of reference, as we have seen before, is an adaptation of the unified theory of acceptance and use of technology 2, from which we took away the moderative variables. Following on Venkatesh et al. (2003) paper, all constructs were modeled using reflective variables, except for use, that was modeled as formative. Our frame of reference looks like the following:



Figure 8 - Frame of Reference

## 4.2 Measurement Model

Due to its complexity, applying the PLS algorithm requires from the researcher, an extensive model evaluation to guarantee the extent to which a specified model is appropriate to describe the effects between the constructs under analysis (Götz O. et al. 2010).

First, we need to test the items reliability. Following on Götz O. et al. (2010), the reliability measure will provide the answer to the internal consistency between all the belonging items. To measure reliability, we need to access that the indicators: Item Loading, Cronbach's alpha, and Composite Reliability; fulfill the requirements of meaningfulness.

Following on Henseler et al. (2009) book, Loadings must be greater than 0.7, to indicate that the construct explains at least 50% of the variable variance, but a more moderative accepts values above 0,6.

	BI	EE	FC	HM	HT	PE	PV	SI	UT
BI1	0.940								
B12	0.921								
B13	0.952								
EE1		0.848							
EE2		0.870							
EE3		0.930							
EE4		0.897							
FC1			0.754						
FC2			0.792						
FC3			0.752						
HM1				0.913					
HM2				0.935					
HM3				0.949					
HT1					0.870				
HT2					0.718				
HT3					0.439				
HT4					0.845				
PE1						0.850			
PE2						0.814			
PE3						0.865			
PE4						0.849			
PV1							0.822		
PV2							0.885		
PV3							0.797		
SI1								0.934	
SI2								0.938	
SI3								0.948	
U1									0.888
U2									0.668
U3									0.756

Table 2- Item Loadings

As can be seen from Table 1, Loading from HT 3 is below the threshold of 0.6 and so the item "*I must use a smart speaker*" was cut off. After cutting off this variable, we ran the PLS algorithm again and all the variables had a Loading over 0.6, meaning that they would explain at least 50% of the construct variance (Henseler et al., 2009).

Hair et al. (2010), explains that Composite Reliability is an evaluation of the internal consistency and reliability of each construct as well as the extent to which the items represent the underlying constructs. Regarding Cronbach's alpha, it will provide an estimate for reliability considering the indicators intercorrelations assuming that all the indicators are equally reliable (Henseler et al., 2009).

	CA	CR	AVE
BI	0.931	0.956	0.879
EE	0.909	0.937	0.787
FC	0.65	0.810	0.587
HM	0.925	0.952	0.869
HT	0.758	0.858	0.672
PE	0.867	0.909	0.714
PV	0.801	0.874	0.698
SI	0.934	0.958	0.883
UT			

Table 3 - CA, CR and AVE

Table 2 shows the results for Cronbach's alpha (CA) and Composite Reliability for the constructs that remain valid. For both indicators, all the constructs are above 0.7 which shows evidence of internal consistency, according to Henseler et al. (2009) – Facilitating condition shows a Cronbach's alpha of 0.65 which is approximately 0.7 and we will accept it. Since Use Behaviour uses formative indicators, there are no values for average variance explained (AVE), CA and CR since the items don't have to be correlated (Götz O. et al. 2010).

AVE assures the validity of the variables (Paulo M., 2015). Following again on Henseler et al. (2009), values from AVE must be above 0,5, meaning that the latent variable is explanatory of more than half of the indicator's variance. For the results presented in Table 2, we can confirm that this assumption is fulfilled.

To evaluate the discriminant validity of the variables, we will use the Fornell-Larker criteria and verify if the cross-loadings. Fornell-Larker criteria theorize that the square root of AVE must be greater than the correlations between constructs (Henseler et al.,2009). The second criteria require that the cross-loadings must be inferior to the construct loading (Chin 1998). Tables 4 and 5 provide the evidence and confirmation of these two criteria.

	BI	EE	FC	HM	HT	PE	PV	SI	UT
BI	0.938								
EE	0.326	0.887							
FC	0.377	0.546	0.766						
HM	0.604	0.425	0.463	0.932					
HT	0.699	0.429	0.378	0.629	0.820				
PE	0.594	0.346	0.318	0.655	0.568	0.845			
PV	0.499	0.205	0.248	0.351	0.506	0.407	0.835		
SI	0.510	0.117	0.171	0.339	0.368	0.473	0.315	0.940	
UT	0.602	0.465	0.367	0.654	0.597	0.641	0.405	0.298	

Table 4 - Discriminant Validity - Fornell-Larker

	BI	EE	FC	HM	HT	PE	PV	SI	UT
BI1	0.940	0.321	0.355	0.559	0.645	0.548	0.498	0.423	0.559
BI2	0.921	0.301	0.377	0.582	0.674	0.568	0.426	0.516	0.568
BI3	0.952	0.296	0.327	0.556	0.647	0.556	0.481	0.493	0.568
EE1	0.282	0.848	0.474	0.356	0.384	0.292	0.161	0.098	0.395
EE2	0.286	0.870	0.486	0.346	0.370	0.277	0.212	0.153	0.387
EE3	0.282	0.930	0.482	0.404	0.393	0.298	0.194	0.079	0.403
EE4	0.306	0.897	0.495	0.400	0.375	0.358	0.161	0.086	0.459
FC1	0.297	0.419	0.753	0.232	0.268	0.134	0.187	0.079	0.215
FC2	0.281	0.498	0.791	0.313	0.270	0.246	0.214	0.096	0.286
FC3	0.288	0.346	0.753	0.494	0.325	0.331	0.172	0.205	0.331
HM1	0.541	0.349	0.461	0.913	0.564	0.636	0.326	0.292	0.625
HM2	0.554	0.407	0.391	0.935	0.571	0.606	0.298	0.317	0.570
HM3	0.592	0.430	0.443	0.949	0.621	0.593	0.357	0.337	0.634
HT1	0.633	0.392	0.280	0.576	0.894	0.557	0.511	0.328	0.568
HT2	0.408	0.196	0.204	0.330	0.689	0.279	0.326	0.299	0.273
HT4	0.637	0.418	0.415	0.587	0.861	0.503	0.390	0.292	0.560
PE1	0.556	0.431	0.333	0.677	0.539	0.850	0.373	0.356	0.654
PE2	0.519	0.154	0.187	0.512	0.437	0.814	0.330	0.468	0.473
PE3	0.447	0.313	0.262	0.496	0.453	0.865	0.326	0.394	0.516
PE4	0.470	0.261	0.287	0.506	0.480	0.849	0.339	0.378	0.506
PV1	0.314	0.060	0.134	0.209	0.339	0.253	0.821	0.177	0.230
PV2	0.556	0.269	0.311	0.449	0.540	0.464	0.885	0.378	0.478
PV3	0.276	0.109	0.094	0.094	0.306	0.207	0.797	0.144	0.199
SI1	0.446	0.094	0.112	0.306	0.329	0.419	0.295	0.934	0.249
SI2	0.468	0.130	0.155	0.294	0.348	0.425	0.264	0.938	0.291
SI3	0.518	0.105	0.208	0.351	0.359	0.484	0.325	0.948	0.298
U1	0.555	0.374	0.324	0.545	0.503	0.534	0.343	0.240	0.882
U2	0.420	0.288	0.211	0.440	0.394	0.451	0.256	0.269	0.662
U3	0.413	0.429	0.301	0.554	0.502	0.532	0.343	0.228	0.771

Table 5 - Loadings and Cross Loadings

## 4.3 Structural Model

Chin (1998) examined the goodness of fit indices. As the author states, a good fit of the model is not meaningful of a good quality of R-square or factor loadings, since the fit measures only relate to how well the parameters estimates match the sample covariances, not relating to how well the latent variables are predicted. Since we are following a model that has already been tested and verified on other thematizes, we could believe that the R-square will be meaningful (above 0.2 at least and ideally above 0.3, Chin (1998)).

	R Square	R Square Adjusted
BI	0.616	0.602
UT	0.436	0.427

Table 6 - R-Square of Behaviour Intention

Table 6 shows that the R-square of Behaviour Intention is 0.616 and Use Behaviour is 0.436, values that are above the ideal value enunciated by Chin (1998).

Multicollinearity among variables could also show to be a problem to this model, since it would produce undesirable outputs, and would destabilize the construct, Petter S.

	VIF
BI1	4.368
BI2	3.101
BI3	4.987
EE1	2.423
EE2	2.683
EE3	4.208
EE4	2.924
FC1	1.338
FC2	1.373
FC3	1.179
HM1	2.965
HM2	3.872
HM3	4.376
HT1	1.911
HT2	1.373
HT4	1.666
PE1	2.065
PE2	1.811
PE3	3.040
PE4	2.760
PV1	2.109
PV2	1.447
PV3	2.048
SI1	3.850
SI2	3.891
SI3	4.115
U1	1.266
U2	1.473
U3	1.554

 Table 7 - Collinearity Statistics (VIF)

et al. (2007). Venkatesh et al. (2012), used 5 as the conservative threshold, which suggests that multicollinearity won't be a problem.

As it is presented in Table 4, any VIF value is above the threshold of 5. Even though, BI 3 shows a very close value, according to Venkatesh et al. (2012) we can accept the value, accepting that multicollinearity won't have an impact on the analysis.

## **4.4 Path Coefficient Significance**

In order to access the significance of our regression weights, we ran a Consistent PLS Bootstrapping analysis on our model. This will provide us, the T-values for significance testing of the structural path of our model, Wong K. (2013).

By using the Bootstrapping, with a two-tailed t-test of significance level of 5%, the path coefficient will only be considered significant, if the T-value is larger than 1.96 (Wong K. 2013).

Table 5 presents the outputs obtained from this procedure. The results show that the paths between Effort Expectancy and Behaviour Intention, Facilitating Conditions and Behaviour Intention, Facilitating Conditions and Use, and Performance Expectancy and Behaviour Intention are not significant enough. The rest of the paths were considered significant with a T-Value over 1.96 at a significance level of 5%.

	T-Statistics	<b>P</b> Values
BI -> UT	3.342	0.001
EE -> BI	0.552	0.581
FC -> BI	1.166	0.244
FC -> UT	1.834	0.067
HM -> BI	2.204	0.028
HT -> BI	5.367	0.000
HT -> UT	3.324	0.001
PE -> BI	1.724	0.085
PV -> BI	2.019	0.044
SI -> BI	3.833	0.000

Table 8 - Bootstrapping Path Coefficients

## 4.5 Hypothesis Validity

Having obtained the path coefficient significance in the previous chapter, we are now able to evaluate if the hypothesis that were formulated were supported by the analysis. Table 9 shows the final conclusions of each hypothesis.

The first hypothesis proposed that performance expectancy would have a significant and positive impact on behavioral intention. With a t-statistic of 1.724, which bellows the threshold of 1.96, performance expectancy was found to be non-significant.

The second hypothesis proposed that effort expectancy would have a significant and positive impact on behavior intention. The t-statistic of this path was found to be below the threshold of 1.96 which led to the same conclusion as in the first hypothesis: effort expectancy is not significant enough.

The third hypothesis proposed that social influence would have a significant and positive impact on behavioral intention. This path had a t-statistic above the 1.96 and a p-value below 0.05. This means that social influence has a significant impact on behavioral intention, there forth the hypothesis is supported.

The fourth and fifth hypothesis proposed that facilitating conditions would have a significant and positive impact on behavioral intention and use behavior. These paths had t-statistics values of 1.166 and 1.834, below the 1.96 marks. This means that facilitating conditions do not have a significant impact either on behavior intention neither on use behavior and there forth our hypothess are both rejected.

The sixth hypothesis proposed that hedonic motivations would have a significant and positive impact on behavioral intention. This path had a t-statistic above the 1.96 and a p-value below 0.05. This means that hedonic motivation has a significant impact on behavioral intention, there forth the hypothesis is supported.

Hypothesis number seven proposed that price value would have a significant and positive impact on behavioral intentions. The path showed a t-statistics of 2.019, above the 1.96 thresholds, and a p-value of 0.044, below the 0.05. This means that price value has a significant impact on behavioral intention, there forth the hypothesis is supported.

Hypothesis eight and nine proposed that habit would have a significant and positive impact on both behavioral intention and use behavior. These paths had t-statistics

of 5.367 and 3.324, and p-values below 0.05. This means that both paths are significant and positive, and there forth our hypotheses are both supported.

The last hypothesis proposed that behavior intention would have a significant and positive impact on use behavior. The t-statistic was of 3.342 and the p-value was below 0.05. There forth, this path is considered to be significant enough and our hypothesis supported.

	Hypothesis	Result
H1	Performance expectancy will have a significant and positive impact on Behavioral Intention regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Rejected
H2	Effort Expectancy will have a significant and positive impact on Behavioural Intention regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Rejected
Н3	Social Influence will have a significant and positive impact on behavioural intention regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Supported
H4	Facilitating conditions will have a significant and positive impact on behavioural intention regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Rejected
Н5	Facilitating conditions will have a a significant and positive impact on impact on use behavior regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Rejected
H6	Hedonic motivation will have a positive and significant impact on behavioral intention regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Supported
<b>H</b> 7	Price value will have a significant and positive impact on behaviour intention regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Supported
H8	Habit will have a significant and positive impact on behaviour intention regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Supported
Н9	Habit will have a significant and positive impact on use behaviour regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Supported
H10	Behaviour intention will have a significant and positive impact on use behaviour regarding the adoption of smart speakers	Supported

Table 9 - Hypothesis Test Validity

## 4.6 Discussion on results.

Our research model proposed that Performance Expectancy, Effort Expectancy, Social Influence, Facilitating Conditions, Hedonic Motivations, Price Value and Habit would have an impact on Consumer's Behaviour Intention and hereupon have an impact on Consumers Use Behaviour (Venkatesh et al. 2012). The results didn't corroborate all the hypotheses, yet most of the purposed hypotheses were considered to be supported by our results.

Venkatesh et al. (2003), defined Performance Expectancy as the extent to which a consumer believes that the product could help him attain better performance. This construct is built on a reflective model by the items PE 1, PE 2, PE 3 and PE 4. The items loadings were all above 0.7 considering that they would all be a good fit for modeling the construct. Even though, on our bootstrapping analysis, we conclude that the loadings of the Performance Expectancy to Behaviour Intention Path, were not significant enough, which means that Performance Expectancy isn't a good construct to predict consumers Behaviour Intention on buying a Smart Speaker. Looking at the descriptive statistics of performance expectancy items, consumers do not see this product as a highly useful product to enhance their day to day activities. They see it as a product that could help

them with their routines but would not be a game-changer and so do not put high expectations on the impact of the product on their performance.

Effort Expectancy is the construct that described the possible easiness of use of Smart Speakers (Venkatesh et al. 2003). It was supposed to have a direct impact on Behaviour Intention, and therefor on Use Behaviour. The construct was modeled by the items EE1, EE 2, EE 3 and EE 4. All items loadings were above the 0.7 thresholds which meant that they would be consistent for model fit. Again, on the analyze of the impact of this construct on Behaviour Intention, the Behaviour Intention variance explained by it, was considered to be too low, which meant that this construct wouldn't be a good fit for predicting consumers Behaviour intention. Once again, supporting our outcomes on the descriptive statistics, it is clear that consumers see smart speakers as an easy product to use. By thinking so, effort expectancy does not have a significant impact on behavior intention, because it is not even really considered as an obstacle.

Social Influence is a construct meant to measure the importance for the user that, the people who surround him, and on which he finds legitimacy for his actions, would support the usage of this technology, Venkatesh et al. (2003). The items that modeled reflectively this construct were SI 1, SI 2 and SI 3. All these items had a loading above the threshold of 0.7 which meant we kept all of them on the analyze of the model. By bootstrapping the model, we found that Social Influence explained more than 50% of Behaviour Intention. This conclusion meant that the acceptance of smart speakers in Portugal will depend on mouth to mouth communication or peer review. Portuguese population accepts the role of an influencer when it comes to buying this type of product and categorizes it as one of the most relevant factors.

Facilitating Conditions is a construct that meant to measure the impact of how organizational support of the product would influence, not only consumers Behaviour Intention but also consumers Use Behaviour (Venkatesh et al. 2003). The construct, modeled reflectively, was composed of the items FC 1, FC 2 and FC 3. All those items had loadings over the 0.7, so were theorized as consistent fit. As the results have shown, with a T-value below 1.96, facilitating conditions were found to not be significant enough on the purposed paths. By looking at the descriptive statistics, we understand that all items had been mostly seen as indifferent or nearly indifferent for the consumer, and so, not that impactful on behavior intention or use behavior.

Hedonic Motivation is defined as the pleasure that a consumer has from using a certain product or technology (Venkatesh et al. 2012). It was proposed that it would impact consumer Behaviour Intention. The construct, also modelized reflectively, was composed of the items HM1, HM 2 and HM 3. All those items had loadings over the 0.7, so were theorized as consistent fit. By bootstrapping the model, Hedonic Motivation was found significant enough to impact consumers Behaviour Intention. As we have seen above, consumers do not expect that much of smart speakers, as performance enhancer product. Yet, they see it as an entertaining and fun product to use, and therefor hedonic motivation becomes an important construct on behavior intention.

Regarding Price Value, it was a construct adapted proposedly to the consumer market by Venkatesh et al. (2012). For the author, Price value is the cognitive trade-off that a consumer has to accept when buying a product. The construct modelized reflectively was built upon three items: PV 1, PV 2 and PV 3. The items loadings were all above the threshold of 0.7, which lead to their acceptance as a consistent fit. On the bootstrapping analysis, the impact of price value proved to be significant, which led us to conclude that the prices of the products will have an impact regarding the adoption of smart speakers in Portugal.

The habit was the last construct added by Venkatesh et al. (2012). This construct was meant to consider that the constant use of a certain product or technology leads to the habit of repetition and automaticity, Venkatesh et al. (2012). To measure this construct, the items HT1, HT 2, HT 3 and HT 4 were modeled reflectively. By analyzing the loadings of the items, HT 3 was found to be noon significant and therefore was cut off the analysis. On the bootstrapping analysis, Hedonic Motivations were considered to be a significant predictor of Behavioural Intention and Use Behaviour, with t-values above 1.96 and p-values below 0.05. This outcome is explained when contextualized with descriptive statistics. Consumers believe that using a smart speaker would become a habit, but not a compulsory habit that they would feel obligated or addicted to. They see the use of smart speakers as a natural thing to do.

Behavior Intention was drawn as a construct that would be influenced by the previously seen constructs, and as a key influence on consumer use of technology construct, Venkatesh et al. (2003). This construct was modeled reflectively by the items BI 1, BI 2 and BI 3 with all these items having loadings over the threshold of 0.7. As we saw before, besides these three items, Behaviour Intention was also modeled by Social

Influence, Price Value, Habit, and Hedonic Motivations. With all this, Behaviour Intention was found to be a significant predictor of Use Behaviour.

To conclude our results analysis, it is important to reflect on the impact of this model. The model performed quite well on explaining Behaviour Intention and Use Behaviour with an explained variance of 61.6% and 43.6%, respectively, which means that the conclusions withdrawn from it are very valid, and can provide a truthful insight on the market.

## 5. Conclusion

This research appears following the emergence of a new line of products, the smart speakers. As we have seen above, smart speaker market growth has been a worldwide phenomenon, with different growth rates between geographies.

The United States was the first geography were these products started to have an impact. The Asia Pacific market followed the trend, exponentiating sales volumes of this style of products. Forecasts point to Europe being the next market to grow, but product volume remains far from those in the main reference markets. In the United States, this product already has a penetration rate of over 25%, and consumers are recognized for the added value that the product has in their lives.

One of the reasons why the growth of this type of product has been most prominent in the United States is largely due to the integration of features that have a direct impact on the user's daily life.

In this study, we reflect on the possibility of smart speakers expand to be a massmarket product in Portugal, in particular, the objective of this study is to analyze the constructs that the Portuguese public values most in this product segment. By doing so, we want to gather enough consumers' insights so companies can create proper penetration strategies based on them.

In our research, we evaluated the consumers' behavior and use intention of smart speakers. To do so, we examined the impact of different constructs on both variables. Social influence, hedonic motivations, price value, and habit were found to be significant in predicting the consumer behavior intention on using smart speakers; on the other hand performance expectancy, effort expectancy and facilitating conditions were found to be non-significant on predicting the behavior intention. The use behavior was also significantly predicted in this model.

The following chapter presents the managerial implications of this research and some insights on the market.

### **5.1 Managerial Implications**

The first major conclusion that we can draw from our research, is that by now, smart speakers are not seen as a product that could enhance the consumers' daily life.

The lack of significance of performance expectation means that the practical and utilitarian improvements that a smart speaker would have in a user's life are not one of the key factors that will influence its behavior. Contrary to what we might initially think, factors like Hedonic Motivation and Habit of Use are factors that more valued by the consumer.

These results must, however, be contextualized for the Portuguese market situation. Despite the advantages that are identified to a smart speaker, when looking at the reference market such as the USA, they are not obtained in the Portuguese market. In addition to this, the language of the voice assistants that are inserted in the speakers is not yet made for perfect use by the Portuguese public (at the moment the main brands only have Brazilian Portuguese).

Contextualized in this sense and recognizing that many of the attributes of a smart speaker are not yet applicable in the Portuguese market, a variable such as Hedonic Motivation represents a greater weight for the consumer decision process. At this time, the public looks to this product more as a source of leisure, fun or entertainment than a product that will add productivity or efficiency to their daily lives.

Another conclusion that can be made is that the Portuguese user sees the use of these speakers as a simple problem. The values of effort expectancy items had all high means, which is the result of a general belief that these products are easy to use. This outcome is quite important, because even though we find effort expectancy as a nonsignificant construct to measure behavior intention, we also understand, that this happens because the user overviews smart speakers as an easy product to use.

Social Influence was found to be a significant predictor of Consumer Behaviour Intention, and this result can mean a lot for a brand trying to reach the Portuguese market. Following on Goldsmith et al. (2008), traditional marketing techniques and positions are lacking behind towards Word of Mouth (WOM) and eWOM, which has stronger effects on the consumer decision-making process. Veirman M. et al. (2017) also identifies that a marketing message is perceived as more authentic and credible when it is delivered by a fellow consumer. The growing importance of social networking, web-based contact and, above all, e-commerce worldwide, has led to increasing online opinion and criticism as a factor in consumer buying.

For organizations wishing to launch their products into new markets, the reverse effect should be considered, so they should be concerned about being more present in these media and developing better methods of approaching the customer (Veirman M. et al. (2017).

Enhancing this conclusion, the habit was also found to be quite significative when predicting behavior and use intention. Although it may seem to contradict (a customer creating habit without having the product), it is quite possible to do this by implementing marketing strategies that promote the daily usage of the speaker and the improvements it can bring to the user's daily life.

## **5.3 Limitations and Future Research**

Despite the effort made to make this study the most correct possible, it is possible to identify some flaws of it, which in the case of future studies should be analyzed and sought to develop.

To begin with, our study was developed specifically for the Portuguese population. This leaves a big gap in the analysis regarding the rest of the population worldwide. This product has been a success in many different countries and any conclusion that can be made from this study should be extrapolated to try to understand how this product can be promoted and disseminated on any other country.

Another limitation of this project was that the analysis was done on the product itself. Smart speakers are just an interface to interact with voice assistants. The voice assistant is the key technology behind a smart speaker, and its adoption and intention to use should be the aim of other research. Voice assistants are quite a success in some countries and in others are still lacking behind their true potential.

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## Appendix

A - Survey



Bem vindo,

O presente questionário é realizado no âmbito da unidade curricular de Seminário de Investigação em Marketing no ISCTE-IUL, sendo que os dados obtidos no mesmo serão aplicados no projeto de dissertação.

Este estudo visa perceber qual o grau de aceitação do público português à nova tendência de produtos com assistentes de voz: os Smart Speakers (ex. Amazon Echo ou Google Home).

As perguntas deste questionário procuram captar a perceção que o público tem da utilização deste produto, sendo que levará cerca de 5 minutos a preencher.

Desde já agradeço a sua colaboração,

**Gonçalo** Afonso





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Peço-lhe agora que com base no que já conhece deste tipo de produtos, responda ao seguinte questionário.

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Tenciono utilizar	uma Smart Sp	eaker frequent	emente			
Discordo Totalmente			Não concordo nem discordo			Concordo Totalmente
$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	0	0	$\bigcirc$	0

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Usar uma Smart	Speaker torna	r-se-ia um hábit	to para mim			
Discordo			Não concordo nem			Concordo
	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$		$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Usar uma Smart	Speaker deixa	r-m <mark>e-ia</mark> viciado				
Discordo Totalmente			Não concordo nem discordo			Concordo Totalmente
0	0	$\bigcirc$	0	0	0	0
Eu sinto-me obri	igado a usar u	na Smart Speak	er			
Discordo Totalmente			Não concordo nem discordo			Concordo Totalmente
$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	0	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	0	0
Usar uma Smart	Speaker torna	r-se-ia natural p	oara mim			
Discordo Totalmente			Não concordo nem discordo			Concordo Totalmente
0	0	0	0	$\bigcirc$	0	0
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Numa escala de 1 a 7, em que 1 significa "nunca" e 7 significa "muitas vezes", diga com que frequência usaria uma smart speaker para as seguintes tarefas:

	Frequência de Utilização						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Interagir com outros objetos inteligentes (smartphone, smart tv, smart lamps)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Envio de SMS por voz	0	0	0	0	$\bigcirc$	0	0
Procura de informação online por voz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## **B** - Descriptive Statistics

	Mean	Median	Min	Max	Standard Deviation
PE1	5.300	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.616
PE2	3.984	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.690
PE3	5.042	5.000	1.000	7.000	1.628
PE4	4.526	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.734
EE1	5.737	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.401
EE2	5.442	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.445
EE3	5.521	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.428
EE4	5.553	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.371
SI1	3.495	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.612
SI2	3.416	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.626
SI3	3.579	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.658
FC1	4.926	5.000	1.000	7.000	1.926
FC2	5.374	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.567
FC3	5.395	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.464
HM1	5.537	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.545
HM2	5.337	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.610
HM3	5.211	6.000	1.000	7.000	1.663
PV1	4.432	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.696
PV2	4.105	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.589
PV3	4.226	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.538
HT1	4.800	5.000	1.000	7.000	1.736
HT2	3.411	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.729
HT3	1.889	1.000	1.000	7.000	1.401
HT4	4.605	5.000	1.000	7.000	1.669
BI1	3.900	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.874
BI2	3.874	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.811
BI3	3.747	4.000	1.000	7.000	1.818
U1	4.953	5.000	1.000	7.000	1.804

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U2	4.253	4.000	1.000	7.000	2.013
U3	4.900	5.000	1.000	7.000	1.959
Exp	2.253	1.000	1.000	7.000	1.741
Gen	1.574	2.000	1.000	2.000	0.495
Age	3.395	3.000	1.000	7.000	1.521
Scho	3.474	3.000	1.000	6.000	1.045
Prof	2.611	3.000	1.000	5.000	0.758