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1 **How sales promotion influences consumers' physical exercise and**
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29 **Abstract**

30 **Purpose** – Firms can benefit from designing sales promotions based on the analysis of
31 consumers' physical exercise and purchase data. This study aims to study mobile exercise app
32 data to explore how purchasing a promoted or nonpromoted product affects exercisers'
33 subsequent exercise and purchase behaviors.

34 **Design/methodology/approach** – Drawing from the theoretical framework of
35 overjustification effect, this study empirically examines the effects of the purchase of
36 promoted – monetary and nonmonetary – or nonpromoted products on relationships (1)
37 between past and subsequent exercise behaviors and (2) between past exercise and
38 subsequent purchase behaviors. Novel data of one million exercise activities and purchase
39 transactions created by 7,517 mobile exercise app users were collected.

40 **Findings** – The results reveal that monetary and nonmonetary promotions have a negative
41 effect on overall consumers' amount of physical exercise but increase heavy exercisers'
42 exercise amount. In addition, nonmonetary (monetary) promotion has a positive (negative)
43 effect on consumers' purchase expenditure but has no moderating effect on the exercise-
44 expenditure relationship.

45 **Originality/value** – This study provides a theoretical framework explaining how to mitigate
46 the dark side of sales promotions while targeting right exercise consumer segments with the
47 right promotion campaigns.

48 **Keywords** – Mobile exercise app, Sales promotion, Overjustification effect, Postpurchase
49 behavior

50 **Paper type** Research paper

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58 **1. Introduction**

59 Although extant research has studied consumers' immediate response to sales promotion
60 (e.g., brand choice, purchase), studies have paid little attention to consumers' postpurchase
61 behaviors. Postpurchase behavior refers to the way consumers think, feel, and act after they
62 have purchased a product. In this research, we focus on consumers' actions to use the
63 purchased product or purchase new product(s) subsequently after the previous purchase.
64 There are two streams of work on consumers' postpurchase behavior. The first stream of
65 research suggests that promotional tactics (e.g., coupons, displays, and features) lead to
66 outcomes positively in the short run (e.g., immediate purchases) but negatively in the long
67 run, in terms of subsequent and aggregate purchases (e.g., Ailawadi et al., 2007; Dodson et
68 al., 1978; Guadagni and Little, 1983). The second stream of research emphasizes that sales
69 promotion is not effective if it offers little value or varies depending on the type of promotion
70 (e.g., monetary vs. nonmonetary) (Nunes and Park 2003; Simonson et al., 1994). However,
71 empirical evidence is lacking on how the purchase of promoted product affects consumers'
72 subsequent nonpurchase behavior (e.g., product consumption or purchased product-related
73 activities) that may also influence subsequent product purchases.

74 The emergence of mobile health and exercise apps enables sporting goods firms to
75 track consumers' physical exercise and purchase behaviors longitudinally. Over 325,000
76 mobile health apps were available in Google Play store, which equates to an expected 3.7
77 billion app downloads (Research2Guidance, 2017). The number of US smartphone users
78 using health and fitness apps is expected to increase by 27.2% in 2020, from 68.7 million in
79 2019 to 87.4 million (Phaneuf, 2020). Such booming popularity of exercise apps has
80 motivated sports brands to use consumers' exercise data to strengthen customer relationship
81 management. For example, the UA Shop, a mobile shopping app, launched by Under Armour
82 leverages exercise data generated by 170 million users of four fitness apps to provide in-app

83 product recommendations. Although recent studies have explored mobile exercise apps usage
84 (Li and Chang, 2021; Whelan and Clohessy, 2021; Yin et al., 2022), no evidence has
85 answered a question of whether sales promotion affects consumers' physical exercise and
86 purchase behaviors positively or negatively.

87 Regarding consumers' postpurchase behavior, prior studies have focused primarily on
88 the conflicting effects of sales promotion on the outcomes (more engaged vs. less engaged) of
89 consuming the purchased products. Some scholars argue that price promotions can elevate
90 consumers' moods, and positive moods influence subsequent related and unrelated evaluation
91 judgments (Cohen et al., 2008) and allow consumers to enjoy consuming the purchased
92 product more (Knutson et al., 2007). Other scholars argue that price promotions may reduce
93 consumers' attention during consumption (Wathieu and Bertini, 2007), and the purchase of
94 discounted products may motivate consumers less to pay attention to the details in an
95 affective experience (Lee and Tsai, 2014). However, there is little evidence for the effects of
96 sales promotion on other postpurchase behavior, specifically, exercise behavior in our study.

97 This study fills these gaps in the literature by empirically demonstrating (1) the direct
98 effects of sales promotion on consumers' postpurchase physical exercise and purchase
99 behaviors and (2) the moderating roles of past exercise behavior in two relationships:
100 promotion-exercise and promotion-purchase. The theoretical basis for our work emanates
101 from the findings from research in social psychology on the overjustification effect (Lepper et
102 al., 1973); which establishes that extrinsic rewards undermine intrinsic motivation. The
103 overjustification effect has been established in educational (e.g., Akin-Little and Little, 2004)
104 and organizational (e.g., Hewett and Conway, 2016) settings and recently in the field of
105 marketing (e.g., Dholakia, 2006; Kivetz, 2005). This theory suggests that consumers' act of
106 purchasing promoted products may inadvertently undermine their intrinsic motivation for
107 exercise or self-determination (i.e., perception of control over their actions) (Dholakia, 2006).

108 In this study, exercise behavior belongs to intrinsic motivation because it occurs in the
109 absence of an extrinsic reward or benefit (Feingold and Mahoney, 1975). We hypothesize the
110 differential effects of sales promotion on exercise and purchase actions of heterogeneous
111 consumers in terms of past exercise amount (e.g., light vs. heavy exercisers).

112 Our research advances marketing and exercise app research in a number of ways.
113 First, we provide empirical evidence of the dual effects of sales promotion on subsequent
114 exercise behavior. Specifically, we find that while, overall, consumers' purchase actions of
115 promoted products decrease their proclivity for subsequent exercise, heavy exercisers are
116 more motivated to increase their subsequent exercise after purchasing promoted products.
117 This finding extends the heterogeneity of the overjustification effect (Lepper et al., 1996) by
118 empirically showing that intrinsic motivation (i.e., exercise) can be strengthened or weakened
119 by extrinsic rewards and the surrounding situational factors. Second, we identify the
120 differential effects of sales promotion on subsequent purchase behavior—a positive effect for
121 consumers who engage in purchasing nonmonetarily promoted products but no effect for
122 heavy exercisers. This finding shows that heavy exercisers, whose goals are exercise itself
123 rather than purchasing exercise products, are likely to increase their spending on exercise
124 products regardless of promotional benefits, which extends the literature on goal-directed
125 behavior (Higgins et al., 2003; Mannetti et al., 2012). Finally, while previous exercise app
126 research has largely focused on the usage of the exercise app itself (Li and Chang, 2021;
127 Whelan and Clohessy, 2021), this study extends our knowledge on the value of exercise apps
128 by showing the interrelationship among sales promotions, physical exercises, and product
129 purchases.

130

131 **2. Literature review**

132 *2.1 Sales promotion and postpurchase behavior*

133 Marketers design short-term sales promotion incentives to stimulate consumers to purchase
134 products or services within the duration of the promotions. Studies have mostly identified two
135 types of incentives—monetary (e.g., discount) and nonmonetary (e.g., free gift)—that
136 influence purchase behaviors (Ramanathan and Dhar, 2010), brand choice (Chandon et al.,
137 2000), and brand loyalty (Papatla and Krishnamurthi, 1996). Some studies on monetary
138 promotions have identified mixed effect of coupons on choice (i.e., positive in the short run
139 but negative in the long run) (Dodson et al., 1978) or the positive effect of reframing
140 discounts on purchase intentions (Guha et al., 2018). Other studies have demonstrated that
141 while price promotions encourage purchase amount in a short-term or are more effective for
142 utilitarian than hedonic products, non-price promotions (e.g., free sample coupons) increase
143 the longer-term purchase propensity (Eisenbeiss et al., 2015; Park et al., 2018). However,
144 these studies focus on the immediate response to sales promotion—monetary and
145 nonmonetary—without investigating consumers’ subsequent behaviors.

146 Along with the studies on the immediate response to sales promotions, some studies
147 have examined that the effect of sales promotion on subsequent product purchase; this effect
148 is found to be negative (Guadagni and Little, 1983) or positive (Ailawadi et al., 2007), or
149 depends on the type of promotion; the effect is found to be negative with coupons but
150 positive with display and feature promotions (Papatla and Krishnamurthi, 1996). Because
151 these studies rely on scanner panel or experimental data, they can track purchase-related
152 activities after sales promotion is offered but cannot observe consumers’ product
153 consumption or product-related activities over long periods. Although the existing literature
154 demonstrates the positive or negative effect of sales promotion on repeat or subsequent
155 purchases, there is little empirical evidence on how sales promotion affects buyers’
156 consumption or usage behavior toward the purchased product.

157 When individuals purchase an exercise product using a mobile app, two subsequent

158 behaviors—exercise intensity and purchase of related exercise product(s)—can be observed
159 through the app. The incorporation of two related but distinct behaviors differs from the
160 incorporation of simply repeat purchases (Ailawadi et al., 2007). The main proposition in this
161 study is that sales promotion influences two types of exercisers’ postpurchase behavior (Lee
162 and Tsai, 2014). Table 1 illustrates how this study differs from extant work in the literatures
163 on sales promotion and postpurchase behavior.

164 [Insert Table 1 about here]

165 Given that the longer-term effects of sales promotions differ across consumer
166 characteristics (Lim et al., 2005), we use the level of consumers’ past exercise engagement
167 (e.g., calories burned) as a moderator in the relationship between sales promotion and
168 subsequent exercise and purchase behaviors. Managerially, we classify exercisers into two
169 segments (heavy vs. light) in terms of past exercise engagement. Our conceptual framework
170 considers two aspects: after purchasing a promoted or nonpromoted exercise product, (1)
171 exercisers decide both postpurchase exercise amount and exercise product purchases, and (2)
172 exercisers’ postpurchase exercise and purchase behaviors vary across both the act of buying
173 [non]promotional product and the level of past exercise amount. Figure 1 illustrates our
174 conceptual model and the related hypotheses that are explained in the following sections.

175 [Insert Figure 1 about here]

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177 *2.2 Roles of sales promotion in exercise decision*

178 People often progress through five distinct stages of exercise behavior: precontemplation,
179 contemplation, preparation, action, and maintenance (Prochaska and DiClemente, 1983). For
180 example, people who have never jogged (precontemplation stage) first intend to start jogging
181 in the near future (contemplation stage), then may purchase running shoes and clothes
182 (preparation stage), then may start jogging (action stage), and, finally, may even continue

183 jogging in the future (maintenance stage). Like Nike and Adidas, sports brands often promote
184 their products, through monetary and nonmonetary incentives, to persuade consumers less
185 interested in exercise to become more exercise-minded through the preparation and action
186 stages. Then, the question is: can sales promotions drive consumers to purchase the promoted
187 products and increase the exercise amount in the future? Notably, sales promotions often
188 focus on short-term effectiveness, such as persuading potential customers to impulsively buy
189 a specific brand or product (Chandon et al., 2000). Prior research has failed to consider how
190 the purchase of promotional or nonpromotional products affects consumers' change in
191 subsequent exercise behavior.

192 According to the overjustification effect (Lepper, 1983; Lepper et al., 1973), if an
193 individual engages in an activity without extrinsic rewards, the introduction of rewards for
194 engaging in that activity may make him or her less interested in the activity in the absence of
195 these rewards. Prior research has demonstrated that rewards or benefits that are contingent on
196 activity tend to lead to greater overjustification effects than noncontingent rewards or benefits
197 (Ryan et al., 1983). This study focuses on the potential influence of promotional benefits on
198 the benefit receiver's exercise behavior. The overjustification setting involves two actors (the
199 benefit giver and the experienced benefit receiver) and two activities (the behavior a benefit
200 encourages and the benefit itself). In the domain of exercise, when marketers (the benefit
201 giver) offer a sales promotion for an exercise product (the benefit), some consumers will
202 purchase the promoted product immediately (the benefit receiver), and others will purchase
203 other nonpromoted products in another period (the nonbenefit receiver). After purchasing the
204 promoted or nonpromoted product, some benefit receivers will increase exercise, and others
205 will decrease it (the behavior). As such, we use exercise as an activity and the purchase of
206 promotional product(s) as an extrinsic reward, likely to lead to an overjustification effect.

207 Conversely, the overjustification effect can be mitigated for intrinsically motivated

208 consumers (Fazio, 1981) or self-determined consumers (Dholakia, 2006) if rewards are
209 designed to support consumers' intrinsic interests. Numerous studies have found that self-
210 determination is linked to patients' regular attendance to weight-loss program (Williams et
211 al., 1996), smoking cessation (Curry et al., 1991), and continuous pro-environmental
212 behaviors (Pelletier et al., 1998). As self-determined choices (e.g., regular jogging) are
213 accompanied by greater motivation, effort, and engagement over long periods (Ryan and
214 Deci, 2002), we regard intrinsically motivated people as heavy exercisers who have a strong
215 interest in the exercise itself and conduct exercise regularly for a long time.

216 As the overjustification effect suggests, consumers who purchase the promoted
217 product will eventually come to interpret their exercise behavior in extrinsic terms, possibly
218 by viewing the exercise as a means to an end rather than an end in itself (Kruglanski, 1975).
219 Because promotional benefits often decrease the perceived price paid, we assume that
220 promotional benefits may reduce consumer attention during consumption and, thus, decrease
221 consumption enjoyment of the promoted product (Lee and Tsai, 2014; Wathieu and Marco,
222 2007). Conversely, exercisers who have purchased a nonpromoted product may increase their
223 exercise amount because, as a means to exercise, the new product will facilitate the exercise
224 environment (e.g., a new pair of shoes makes exercisers jog more frequently and farther).
225 Hence, we suggest the following hypothesis:

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227 ***H1:*** (a) The purchase of promoted exercise product(s) will decrease postpurchase exercise
228 while (b) the purchase of nonpromoted exercise product(s) will increase postpurchase
229 exercise.

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231 Although the overjustification effect is the central theory in the benefit–activity
232 relationship, the assumption is that consumers' interest in doing an activity is not determined

233 solely by the activity itself but by situational factors surrounding the activity engagement
234 (Higgins et al., 2010). It is possible that a decrease in intrinsic interest in the exercise activity
235 will occur only insofar as the person's initial interest is not salient to him or her (Fazio,
236 1981). Similarly, if extrinsic rewards are designed to support individuals' intrinsic interests
237 (e.g., by targeting coupons and discounts on an exercise product to heavy exercisers), they are
238 likely to enhance intrinsically motivated people' motivation (Eisenberger and Cameron,
239 1996). That is, an increase in the salience of initial or intrinsic interests undermines the
240 overjustification effect (Fazio, 1981). As heavy exercisers tend to have a greater interest in
241 the exercise activity, the overjustification effect will be mitigated when they purchase a
242 promoted product that supports the intrinsic interest.

243 Other studies have corroborated this conflicting prediction that extrinsic rewards will
244 not diminish intrinsic motivation unless the receiver finds the rewards an unnecessary
245 extrinsic reinforcement (Crano and Sivacek, 1984). That is, if the receiver does not have any
246 information on the negative aspect of purchasing promoted products, his or her attitude
247 toward intrinsic motivation to exercise will not change. Because heavy exercisers may regard
248 the related exercise products as necessary goods, the act of purchasing the promoted product
249 will reinforce their exercise activities. Therefore, we hypothesize the following:

250

251 **H2:** The effect of purchasing promoted product(s) on postpurchase exercise will be
252 moderated by the level of past exercise amount; heavy exercisers who purchase promoted
253 product(s) will increase postpurchase exercise.

254

255 *2.3 Roles of sales promotion in exercisers' purchase decision*

256 The effectiveness of sales promotion is determined not only by the benefit of a sales
257 promotion but also by the congruence of the benefit with consumers (Chandon et al., 2000;

258 Kivetz and Zheng, 2017). In the exercise context, consumers who have exercised in a specific
259 area (e.g., bicycling, climbing) for long periods are likely to have rich knowledge about the
260 exercise process, product technologies, and detailed attribute information on multiple
261 products. Although promotional purchases, especially with little value, may decrease repeat
262 purchases (Simonson et al., 1994), prior purchases made on sales promotions can increase
263 consumption of the purchased products and subsequent purchases (Ailawadi et al., 2007;
264 Papatla and Krishnamurthi, 1996). In exerciser settings, the act of buying an exercise product
265 is regarded as a goal-directed behavior because the product purchase is influenced by a
266 exerciser's intention to act (e.g., start or maintain exercise), which is predicted by a desire for
267 the act (Bagozzi et al., 2003). As exercisers tend to maintain goal-directed progress toward a
268 specific exercise (Kruglanski et al., 2000), they are likely to regard their buying promoted
269 products as value-added due to monetary gains and exercise facilitators.

270 In support of this argument, in exercise and shopping situations, market mavens who
271 buy more promoted products than nonmavens tend to engage in smart buying (Slama et al.,
272 1992) because they keep track of contemporary sales promotions, due to their need for smart
273 decision making. Thus, we posit that market mavens are likely to seek out various sales
274 promotions and their benefits (i.e., monetary and nonmonetary) to a point that they purchase
275 promoted exercise products rather than nonpromoted products. Hence, we hypothesize the
276 following:

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278 **H3:** Exercisers' purchase of promoted product(s) will increase subsequent purchase
279 expenditure for exercise products.

280

281 Although heavy exercisers view the purchase of promoted products as positive rather
282 than negative (Crano and Sivacek, 1984), they are likely to focus more on the exercise itself

283 than the promotional benefit (Higgins et al., 2003; Mannetti et al., 2012). As light exercisers
284 are more extrinsically motivated to exercise, they will initially purchase the promoted product
285 on impulse, which can lead to greater subsequent purchases (Chandran and Morwitz, 2005;
286 Dhar et al., 2007). Therefore, we assume that light exercisers tend to engage in impulse
287 buying induced by monetary and nonmonetary promotions, which will further drive the
288 subsequent purchases. Conversely, as heavy exercisers are more intrinsically motivated to
289 exercise, their purchase decisions on promoted exercise products can be regarded as a type of
290 goal-directed behavior because they may think these products as necessary goods. Because
291 heavy exercisers are likely to have a high self-control (Gillebaart et al., 2016), they may
292 purchase promoted or nonpromoted products when they need them. Therefore, sales
293 promotion may not encourage heavy exercisers to continue purchasing additional products.
294 Thus, we predict:

295
296 **H4:** The effect of purchasing promoted product(s) on postpurchase exercise will be
297 moderated by the level of past exercise engagement; light exercisers who purchase promoted
298 product(s) will increase subsequent purchase expenditure while heavy exercisers who
299 purchase promoted product(s) will not increase subsequent purchase expenditure.

300
301 In our study, we incorporate three control variables (i.e., demographics and
302 seasonality) that may affect exercise and purchase behavior. Specifically, age is included as a
303 critical demographic factor because younger consumers are likely to prefer the usefulness of
304 the exercise app-tracking technology (Venkatesh et al., 2003) and physical activity may
305 decrease with age (Hallal et al., 2012). In addition, as people tend to exercise more in
306 particular seasons such as summer and fall (Kim et al., 2018), we capture such seasonality
307 effects of specific month and year in the study.

308

309 **3. Data**

310 *3.1 Data collection*

311 To test our hypotheses, we collected rich data for exercise and purchase behavior with
312 support from a leading mobile exercise app operator in South Korea. The exercise app tracks
313 and records the details of users' exercise activity, such as type (e.g., jogging, bicycling), time,
314 location, distance, burned calories, exercise duration, speed, and altitude. This exercise app
315 ran in-app (now defunct) marketplace in which manufacturers sold exercise products to app
316 users. Such in-app commerce functionality enabled us to track app users' purchase
317 transactions in addition to exercise activities. We found that manufacturers decided the type
318 of a sales promotion for a specific product, and the specific promotion was offered to all app
319 users. To analyze the consumers' exercise and purchase journey, we extracted a complete set
320 of exercise and purchase data of 7,517 app users who purchased exercise products at least
321 once within three years (January 2013-December 2015) in the marketplace.

322

323 *3.2 Data description*

324 The final dataset consists of two subsets. The first contains five types of exercise activities
325 such as hiking, walking, bicycling, jogging, and rollerblading. The most popular exercise is
326 hiking and the second is walking, followed by bicycling. In this sample, 98% of exercise app
327 users (7,363 of 7,517) engaged in hiking and burned approximately 4,000 calories, on
328 average, by hiking roughly 19 kilometers per month. In addition, 70% of app users
329 participated in walking and burned 444 calories, on average, by walking 8.8 kilometers per
330 month. Finally, 52% of the app users engaged in bicycling and burned 514 calories by biking
331 23 kilometers per month. Jogging and rollerblading activities were not popular in this sample.

332 The second subset contains the historical data of sales promotions and purchases.

333 Regarding the aggregate-level purchase frequency, 7,305 app users (97.18%) made purchases
334 1 to 10 times during the three-year period, 189 users (2.51%) 11 to 20 times, 19 users
335 (0.25%) 21 to 30 times, and 4 users more than 30 times. We classified the type of sales
336 promotion by first identifying the detailed promotional tag information attached to each
337 promoted product name (e.g., [free shipping] AAA T-shirts).

338 To measure the type of sales promotion, we first grouped the purchased products into
339 six categories—free shipping, discount, limited offering, merchandiser recommendation,
340 special product introduction, and no promotion. Next, we classified six categories into three
341 categories: (1) MONETARY (free shipping, discount), (2) NONMONETARY (limited
342 offering, merchandiser recommendation, special product introduction) and (3) NONE. In the
343 sample, exercise app users purchased promoted (43.8%)—monetary (9.9%) and nonmonetary
344 (33.9%)—and nonpromoted (56.2%) products. The endogeneity of promotional campaigns
345 may be a concern, such as when a firm plans and implements its promotional campaigns
346 using endogenous customer information (Manchanda et al., 2004).

347 Finally, we found that the prices of purchased products ranged from \$1 to \$1,433,
348 with a mean value of \$78, median value of \$54, and standard deviation of \$84. The
349 distribution of product prices was positively skewed (skewness: 4.83); purchased products
350 with prices over \$400, \$300, and \$200 represented 1.15%, 2.07%, and 5.62%, respectively.
351 Most products were outdoor apparel and accessories useful for different types of exercise. For
352 example, exercise app users might use outdoor shoes for hiking or walking and t-shirts for
353 bicycling or jogging.

354

355 *3.3 Model-free analysis*

356 Before estimating main models, we conduct a preliminary tabulation analysis to provide
357 initial evidence of multiple relationships among sales promotions, exercise activities, and

358 purchases. Specifically, we divide consumers in the sample into three equal groups based on
359 33% and 66% quantiles of the number of exercise hours: light, medium, and heavy. Then, we
360 compare the purchase patterns of each group given the type of purchased product (i.e.,
361 nonpromoted vs. promoted). As Table 2 shows, the number of consumers who purchased
362 nonpromoted products was bigger than promoted products regardless of the level of exercise
363 activities, but light exercisers (71%) purchased promoted products more frequently than
364 heavy exercisers (16%). These results imply the different effectiveness of sales promotion
365 across exerciser segments; sales promotions tend to be more influential to light exercisers’
366 purchase decisions than heavy exercisers. That is, marketers can implement promotion
367 campaigns differently depending on consumers’ exercise behavior. Furthermore, the results
368 indicate the necessity of building an integrated model that consists of consumers’ exercise
369 and purchase behaviors.

370 [Insert Table 2 about here]

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372 **4. Estimation method**

373 *4.1 Operationalization of variables*

374 We begin with a definition of the variables for exercise and purchase models. As the proxy
375 measure for the level of consumer exercise amount, we use burned calories ($CALORIE_{it}$),
376 which refers to the number of calories that consumer i burns by exercising in month t . To
377 treat the skewedness of three variables, we use logarithmic transformation of the variables.
378 Furthermore, to measure the level of consumers’ exercise engagement in the past, we define
379 the variable of cumulative exercise amount as follows:

380

$$CALORIE_CUM_{it} = (1 - \rho_1) \times CALORIE_{it} + \rho_1 \times CALORIE_CUM_{it-1} \quad (1)$$

where $0 < \rho < 1$.

381

382 In this specification, ρ refers to the carryover effect of past exercise efforts, which is
383 similar to a loyalty variable (Guadagni and Little, 1983) or a goodwill variable of advertising
384 (Fershtman, 1984) because it may represent a stock of exercise amount cumulated over time.
385 If ρ is small, a consumer puts more weight on the exercises he or she has done more recently
386 than in the past. Because the estimation of ρ requires all observations of consumers' exercise
387 activities regardless of their purchase of exercise products, ρ should not be estimated solely
388 from the purchase model. Therefore, we estimate ρ from the integrated model of both
389 exercise and purchase models, i.e., the exercise model and purchase model were estimated
390 jointly.

391 For measuring sales promotion variables, we categorize each product consumers
392 purchased into a specific type of sales promotion offered to the product (Table 3).
393 Specifically, we define dummy variables for monetary promotion ($\text{MONETARY}_{it} = 1$ if
394 consumer i purchases a product with monetary promotion in month t), nonmonetary
395 promotion ($\text{NONMONETARY}_{it} = 1$ if consumer i purchases a product with nonmonetary
396 promotion in month t), and no promotion ($\text{NONE}_{it} = 1$ when consumer i purchases a
397 nonpromoted product. Finally, we measure three control variables. Age (AGE_{it}) is consumer
398 i 's age in month t , month (MONTH_t) is a set of dummy variables to represent each month
399 from January to December, and year (YEAR_t) refers to 2 dummy variables to represent a
400 specific year (2014 and 2015). Table 3 presents the type and definition of dependent,
401 independent, and control invariables employed in the models.

402 [Insert Table 3 about here]

403

404 *4.2 Exercise model*

405 For the exercise model, we analyze how consumers' purchase of promoted product(s)

406 influences their postpurchase exercise behavior and also how the relationship is moderated by
 407 the past exercise amount. We find that exercise amount ($CALORIE_{it}$) is either 0 (a consumer
 408 did not exercise in month t) or positive (a consumer exercised in month t). To treat this
 409 bimodal property of the exercise variable, we develop a Type I Tobit model (Tobin, 1958).
 410 For $CALORIE_{it}$, we define a latent variable, U_{it} as follows:

$$411 \quad CALORIE_{it} = 0 \text{ if } U_{it} < 0, \text{ and } CALORIE_{it} = U_{it} \text{ if } U_{it} > 0. \quad (2)$$

412
 413 We hypothesize that consumer i 's exercise amount in month t will be affected by (1)
 414 the purchase of promoted or nonpromoted exercise product(s) in month $t - 1$ (i.e.,
 415 $MONETARY_{it-1}$, $NONMONETARY_{it-1}$, and $NONE_{it-1}$) and (2) its interactions with a
 416 situational factor of consumer i 's past exercise amount, $CALORIE_CUM_{it-1}$. Accordingly, we
 417 specify the latent variable, $U_{it}^{CALORIE}$, as follows:

$$418 \quad \begin{aligned} U_{it} = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 CALORIE_CUM_{it-1} + \beta_2 MONETARY_{it-1} \\ & + \beta_3 NONMONETARY_{it-1} + \beta_4 NONE_{it-1} \\ & + \beta_5 MONETARY_{it-1} \times CALORIE_CUM_{it-1} \\ & + \beta_6 NONMONETARY_{it-1} \times CALORIE_CUM_{it-1} \\ & + \beta_7 NONE_{it-1} \times CALORIE_CUM_{it-1} \\ & + \beta_8 AGE_{it} + \beta_9 MONTH_{it} + \beta_{10} YEAR_{it} + \xi_i + \eta_{it} \\ & + \delta_1 IMR_1 + \delta_2 IMR_2 + \delta_3 IMR_3, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

419 where $\xi_i \sim N(0, \sigma_\xi^2)$ and $\eta_{it} \sim N(0, \sigma_\eta^2)$.

420
 421 Although we include the control variables such as age (AGE_{it}), month ($MONTH_{it}$),
 422 and year ($YEAR_{it}$) in the model, some events or occasions might be happening in local
 423 communities that affect consumers' exercise and purchase decisions. IMR refers to inverse

424 Mills ratio (IMR) that mitigates selection bias (Heckman, 1979), which will be discussed in
 425 the next section. In addition, our model captures observed individual heterogeneity by
 426 introducing a random effect term that varies across consumers (ξ_i).

427

428 *4.3. Selection bias*

429 Noting the possible endogeneity of consumers' choices of promoted products is important.

430 For example, some consumers may tend to purchase products with promotions, while others
 431 may not care about promotions. In such cases, whether their purchases of (non)promoted
 432 products affect their exercise behaviors may not be attributable to the overjustification effect,
 433 as our hypothesis describes, but because of their purchase tendencies or occasions. Also, on a
 434 particular day when more promoted products are available, some consumers may likely
 435 choose promoted products when others choose promoted products—others influence
 436 consumer choices.

437 In this regard, the promotion-related variables, MONETARY_{it-1} ,
 438 $\text{NONMONETARY}_{it-1}$, and NONE_{it-1} in Equation (3) may suffer from a self-selection-based
 439 endogeneity bias. To control for any potential bias from endogeneity due to the self-selection,
 440 we introduce IMR, widely used in the management literature (Hamilton and Nickerson,
 441 2003). For instance, for the variable of purchasing monetarily promoted product,
 442 MONETARY_{it-1} , we define IMR_1 in Equation (4) as follows:

443

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IMR}_1 = & I(\text{MONETARY}_{it-1} > 0) \left(\frac{\phi(Z_{it-1}\alpha_1^S + \omega_i)}{1 - \Phi(Z_{it-1}\alpha_1^S + \omega_i)} \right) \\ & + I(\text{MONETARY}_{it-1} = 0) \left(\frac{-\phi(Z_{it-1}\alpha_1^S + \omega_i)}{\Phi(Z_{it-1}\alpha_1^S + \omega_i)} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

444 where ϕ and Φ are the density and cumulative probability functions, respectively,

445 and $I(\cdot)$ is an indicator function.

446 We incorporate $Z_{it-1} = [1, \text{NUM_MONETARY}_{t-1} \cdot \text{AGE}_{it-1}]$ in the IMR functions,
447 where $\text{NUM_MONETARY}_{t-1}$ indicates the number of other consumers who have made
448 purchases with monetary promotion. The rationale for this incorporation is that as more
449 consumers purchased promoted products, consumer i is also likely to buy promoted products,
450 possibly due to the social effect ($\text{NUM_MONETARY}_{t-1}$).¹ Specifically, peer influence may
451 happen through learning from other users who have purchased monetarily promoted products
452 (Iyengar et al., 2015; Toker-Yildiz et al., 2017; Trusov et al., 2010)². In addition, if more
453 promoted products are offered by retailers in a given day, consumers would be likely to have
454 more opportunities to purchase the promoted products. Finally, the IMR functions incorporate
455 individual-specific effects, such as age (AGE_{it}) and unobserved heterogeneity ($\omega_i \sim N(0, \sigma_\omega^2)$),
456 which may control for individual differences in the tendency of purchasing (non)promoted
457 products. Similarly, we create IMR_2 and IMR_3 for the purchase of nonmonetarily promoted
458 product ($\text{NONMONETARY}_{it-1}$) and the purchase of nonpromoted product (NONE_{it-1}),
459 respectively. Thus, IMR ($\text{IMR}_1, \text{IMR}_2, \text{IMR}_3$) plays a role in correcting any selection bias³.

460

461 *4.4 Purchase model*

462 For the purchase model, we develop a model of purchase (Neslin et al., 1985; Ramanathan
463 and Dhar, 2010) by analyzing whether the purchase of [non]promoted product(s) affects
464 subsequent purchase expenditure for exercise product(s) and how the relationship is

¹ Our dataset does not support how many products were offered with monetary and nonmonetary promotions or without any promotions. We can observe only purchases made by consumers, not products available to them. In this regard, our dataset does not allow us to disentangle the effect of promoted product availability and the network effect.

² The exercise and shopping apps run an online review board where users can leave comments on their shopping and exercise experiences.

³ In general, the interpretation of the IMR coefficients, $[\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3]$ in Equation (3) is described as follows: When an IMR coefficient is positive, “positive selection” occurs (without the correction, the estimate of $[\beta_2, \dots, \beta_7]$ would be upward-biased); when it is negative, “negative selection” occurs (without the correction, the estimate of $[\beta_2, \dots, \beta_7]$ would be downward-biased). If the IMR coefficient is not significant, there may not be a strong selection bias for the $\text{NONMONETARY_CUM}_{it-2}$ and $\text{NUM_MONETARY}_{t-2}$ variables.

465 moderated by the level of exercise engagement. Here, EXPENDITURE_{it} represents how
466 much money (\$) consumer i spent in month t given a conversion. Similar to Equation (3), we
467 develop a linear regression model for $\ln(\text{EXPENDITURE}_{it})$. We incorporate sales promotion
468 (whether consumer i has purchased promoted products in month t), cumulative exercise
469 amount in the past, and the interaction between them. In addition, the model includes the
470 control variables of age (AGE_{it}), month fixed effects (MONTH_t), and year fixed effects
471 (YEAR_{it}), as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln(\text{EXPENDITURE}_{it}) = & \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 \text{CALORIE_CUM}_{it-1} \\
& + \gamma_2 \text{MONETARY}_{it-1} + \gamma_3 \text{NONMONETARY}_{it-1} \\
& + \gamma_4 \text{MONETARY}_{it-1} \times \text{CALORIE_CUM}_{it-1} \\
& + \gamma_5 \text{NONMONETARY}_{it-1} \times \text{CALORIE_CUM}_{it-1} \\
& + \gamma_6 \text{AGE}_{it} + \gamma_7 \text{MONTH}_t + \gamma_8 \text{YEAR}_t + \psi_i + \varepsilon_{it} \\
& + \theta_1 \text{IMR}_1 + \theta_2 \text{IMR}_2
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

473
474 where $\psi_i \sim N(0, \sigma_\psi^2)$ and $\varepsilon_{it} \sim N(0, \sigma_\varepsilon^2)$. Finally, we include IMR_1 and IMR_2 to treat the
475 endogenous selection bias as the same manner as described in Section 4.3.

477 4.5. Endogeneity due to the random effects

478 Recall that our models in Sections 4.2. and 4.4. incorporate random effects to capture
479 unobserved heterogeneity across consumers. The assumption of such a random effect model
480 is that the unobserved heterogeneity should not correlate with observed covariates. In
481 Equations (3) and (5), unobserved heterogeneity is captured by $\xi_i \sim N(0, \sigma_\xi^2)$ and
482 $\psi_i \sim N(0, \sigma_\psi^2)$, respectively. If these terms correlate with covariates for purchases
483 (MONETARY_{it-1} , $\text{NONMONETARY}_{it-1}$, and NONE_{it-1} in Equation (3)) and
484 (MONETARY_{it-1} and $\text{NONMONETARY}_{it-1}$ in Equation (5)), endogeneity may arise, known

485 in econometrics as the random effects assumption (Wooldridge, 2013).

486 To test such potential endogeneity, we perform the Hausman (1978) test to compare
487 an estimator assumed to be consistent (e.g., fixed effect) with an efficient estimator (e.g.,
488 random effect). Specifically, β_{Random} is a set of estimates with the random effect, and
489 β_{Fixed} is a set of estimates with the fixed effect. A statistical test H is as follows:

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$$H = (\beta_{\text{Random}} - \beta_{\text{Fixed}})' [V(\beta_{\text{Random}}) - V(\beta_{\text{Fixed}})]^{-1} (\beta_{\text{Random}} - \beta_{\text{Fixed}}). \quad (6)$$

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492 The test statistics asymptotically follow the chi-squared distribution with the number
493 of degrees of freedom equal to the rank of matrix $V(\beta_{\text{Random}}) - V(\beta_{\text{Fixed}})$. Our Hausman
494 test results show that the null hypothesis cannot be rejected; H for the exercise model = 9.20
495 < 11.07, and H for the purchase model = 1.848 < 12.59. These results imply that estimates
496 β_{Random} and β_{Fixed} are both consistent, and therefore, the random effect is unrelated to
497 covariates and dependent variables.

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499 **5. Results**

500 *5.1 Analysis of exercise models*

501 The results of Model 1 show that the effect of purchasing monetarily or nonmonetarily
502 promoted products on postpurchase exercise amount in terms of burned calories is negative
503 and significant (Model 1: $\beta_2 = -1.475$, $\beta_3 = -1.631$; $p < .05$). The negative effect of sales
504 promotion, either monetary or nonmonetary, on exercise may explain that the
505 overjustification effect occurs for exercisers who are encountered by utilitarian benefits
506 offered by monetary or nonmonetary benefits. This result can be explained by the benefit
507 congruency framework of sales promotions (Chandon et al., 2000). On the contrary, the effect
508 of purchasing nonpromoted products is positive and significant (NONE: $\beta_4 = 0.902$; $p < .05$).

509 Thus, while consumers' actions of purchasing promoted products tend to decrease their
510 subsequent exercise (i.e., burned calories), their actions of purchasing nonpromoted products
511 increase their exercise. These results provide support for both H1a and H1b.

512 [Insert Table 4 about here]

513 Furthermore, H2 predicts that heavy exercisers who purchase promoted products will
514 increase their postpurchase exercise amount. Consistent with this prediction, the interaction
515 terms of promoted product purchases (MONETARY or NONMONETARY) \times cumulative
516 exercise amount (EXERCISE_CUM) are positive and statistically significant in the exercise
517 model (Model 1: $\beta_5 = 0.092$, $\beta_6 = 0.136$; $p < .05$). These results support H2.

518 To accurately investigate the interaction effects, Figure 2 visually illustrates
519 interaction effects between type of purchased products (monetary, nonmonetary,
520 nonpromoted) and consumers' past exercise behavior. In our sample, the weighted average
521 from the logarithm of cumulative exercise amount in terms of burned calories lies between 0
522 and 13 (maximum 12.21). Given this range, we compute the effects of type of purchased
523 products combined with the moderation of cumulative exercise amount: monetary
524 ($\beta_2 + \beta_5 \text{CALORIE_CUM}_{it-1}$), nonmonetary ($\beta_3 + \beta_6 \text{CALORIE_CUM}_{it-1}$), and
525 nonpromoted ($\beta_4 + \beta_7 \text{CALORIE_CUM}_{it-1}$). Interestingly, Figure 2 shows consistent patterns
526 between monetary and nonmonetary promotions. After purchasing monetarily or
527 nonmonetarily promoted products, heavy exercisers will exercise more than light exercisers.
528 These results imply the importance of targeting consumers based on past exercise behavior
529 and types of promotion campaigns.

530 [Insert Figure 2 about here]

531

532 *5.2 Analysis of purchase models*

533 The hypothesized effects of purchase actions of promoted or nonpromoted exercise products

534 and past exercise amount on subsequent purchase expenditure were assessed. Table 4 (Model
535 2) reports the parameter estimates of the purchase model that has the independent variables of
536 burned calories. We find that while the purchase of monetarily promoted products has a
537 negative relationship with the consumer spending on exercise products in the subsequent
538 period ($\gamma_2 = -0.099$; $p < .1$), the purchase of nonmonetary promoted products increases
539 consumer spending ($\gamma_3 = 0.238$; $p < .1$), partially supporting H3. This result implies that
540 nonmonetary promotions work better in eliciting consumers' favorable attitude toward
541 subsequent shopping than monetary promotions (Yi and Yoo, 2011), possibly because
542 nonmonetary promotions are perceived separately from price information and regarded as
543 gains (Sinha and Smith, 2000). However, in contrast with the results of the exercise models,
544 the interaction term between sales promotion and cumulative exercise amount has no
545 significant effect on purchase expenditure, not in support of H4.

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547 **6. Discussion**

548 Although effectiveness of sales promotion is critical for increasing product sales and firm
549 value, firms can have the opportunity to improve human life by promoting better health and
550 well-being outcomes (Moorman, 2018). In this research, we attempt to contribute to the
551 stream of research on the role of marketing practice in improving both firm profit and
552 consumer health, in general, and the effect of sales promotion on consumers' physical
553 exercise and purchase behaviors, in particular. Our findings shed light on suitable exercise
554 behavior-based promotion strategies for sports brands and mobile exercise apps that use
555 consumers' exercise data. In this study, we attempt to better understand how sales promotion
556 affects consumers' postpurchase behaviors—particularly from the understudied perspective
557 of subsequent exercise and purchase decisions which may vary across consumer segments.
558 Using rich data of exercise and purchase activities generated by mobile exercise and

559 shopping app users, we identify the double-edged effects of sales promotion in the exercise
560 and purchase models.

561 We find that the effects of sales promotion on consumers' exercise and purchase
562 decisions differ across the type of purchased products (promoted vs. nonpromoted) and the
563 level of exercise engagement (light vs. heavy). From the exercise perspective, our empirical
564 findings identify that while the purchase of monetarily promoted (nonpromoted) products
565 decrease (increase) postpurchase exercise amount ("overjustification effect"), heavy
566 exercisers who purchase promoted products rather increase postpurchase exercise amount
567 ("mitigated overjustification effect"). From the purchase perspective, we find that consumers
568 who engage in purchasing nonmonetarily promoted products increase their spending on
569 exercise products, whereas heavy exercisers' purchase actions of promoted or nonpromoted
570 products do not predict their spending on exercise products. These findings translate into
571 several contributions for marketing and exercise app research and practice.

572

573 *6.1 Theoretical implications*

574 The present research represents the first effort to empirically demonstrate how the
575 overjustification effect occurs in the combined setting of sales promotion and exercise
576 behaviors. Prior studies have shown that people who are rewarded are less likely to engage in
577 the task again without a reward (Crano and Sivacek, 1984; Lepper et al., 1973). We extend
578 this notion of the overjustification effect on exerciser settings by exploring the impact of
579 purchasing promoted and nonpromoted products on subsequent exercise activities. In support
580 of the literatures on customer self-determination and overjustification effect, we find that in
581 the exercise context, the purchase of monetarily or nonmonetarily promoted products
582 attenuates consumers' motivation to increase their exercise amount. By contrast, we show
583 that consumers who purchase nonpromoted products continue to increase the postpurchase

584 exercise. This finding is in line with the argument that self-determined choices (e.g., the
585 purchase of nonpromoted products as a result of consumers' own initiative) support intrinsic
586 interests (e.g., ongoing exercise) more than firm-determined choices (e.g., the purchase of
587 exercise products as a result of a firm's introductory promotion) (Dholakia, 2006;
588 Eisenberger and Cameron, 1996).

589 Next, we extend the overjustification framework by showing the moderating role of
590 past exercise engagement in the relationship between a consumer's action of purchasing
591 promoted or nonpromoted products and postpurchase exercise behaviors. Our findings
592 demonstrated that a promoted product buying behavior does not always result in an
593 attenuation of exercise attitude if the buyer is already highly engaged in exercise. That is, the
594 more salient the initial interest is in a particular activity (e.g., exercise), the less likely the
595 overjustification effect will occur (Fazio, 1981). This conflicting finding can be explained by
596 prior research that shows that extrinsic rewards do not diminish intrinsic motivation if the
597 rewards are necessary reinforcement (Crano and Sivacek, 1984) or support people's intrinsic
598 interests (Eisenberger and Cameron, 1996). We surmise that heavy exercisers consider the
599 promoted product a necessary extrinsic incentive, which further encourages ongoing exercise
600 behaviors (Forehand, 2000; Kelley, 1973). The finding of relative effectiveness of sales
601 promotion is critical for sports brands because it suggests optimal promotion strategies to
602 target valuable segments.

603 Finally, we identify that while monetary sales promotions decrease subsequent
604 purchases, nonmonetary sales promotions increase purchases, which extends prior research
605 on sales promotion (e.g., Ailawadi et al., 2007; Guadagni and Little, 1984; Jones and
606 Zufryden, 1980; Lim et al., 2005; Papatla and Krishnamurthi, 1996; Sinha and Smith, 2000;
607 Yi and Yoo, 2011). We also find that although both nonmonetary sales promotion and
608 cumulative exercise amount are positively related to purchase expenditure separately, the

609 combination of two components does not lead to its increase or decrease. That is, heavy
610 exercisers are not influenced by sales promotion and may purchase exercise products, either
611 promoted or nonpromoted, whenever they need them. This finding implies that heavy
612 exercisers, who tend to have a high self-control to inhibit their impulses (Gillebaart et al.,
613 2016), are more focused on fulfilling the goal (i.e., exercise itself) than the means (i.e., sales
614 promotion). In another sense, the results also extends the notion of regulatory mode to the
615 area of health and exercise context by showing that goal-directed people are more successful
616 at achieving their health-related goals (e.g., food and nutrition) by overcoming the impulse to
617 engage in purchasing promoted products (Gillebaart et al., 2016; Higgins et al., 2003;
618 Mannetti et al., 2012).

619

620 *6.2 Managerial implications*

621 Our findings provide meaningful directions for sports brands (e.g., Nike and Adidas) and
622 mobile exercise apps (e.g., Strava and Fitbit) when they implement and plan promotional
623 campaigns for selling exercise products. From an implementation perspective, our findings
624 clearly show that firms should be cognizant of the importance of the exerciser segment they
625 are targeting when using exercise data. Compared with the absence of sales promotion,
626 monetary and nonmonetary promotions may increase the postpurchase exercise motivation of
627 heavy exercisers but discourage overall consumers from exercising in the future. Hence,
628 mobile exercise apps can maximize their revenue—monetized from both banner ads and
629 retail margin—by implementing optimal promotion strategies through exercise behavior-
630 based segmentation. Specifically, exercise apps should target heavy exercisers with sales
631 promotions because the revenue from retail margin might be higher for heavy exercisers than
632 light exercisers.

633 Although exercisers who purchase nonpromoted products tend to increase

634 postpurchase exercise (Forehand, 2000; Rosenfield et al., 1980), sporting goods marketers
635 often offer various types of sales promotion—monetary or nonmonetary—to potential and
636 existing customers but need to keep in mind that exercisers’ postpurchase behavior could
637 vary depending on the type of sales promotion. Our finding suggests that nonmonetary
638 promotions, including limited offering and merchandiser recommendations, are more
639 effective for increasing consumers’ postpurchase exercise and purchases. This finding can be
640 explained by a congruency between physical exercise and nonmonetary (hedonic) benefits,
641 which can elicit exercisers’ favorable attitude toward subsequent exercise and shopping
642 behaviors (Chandon et al., 2000; Sinha and Smith, 2000).

643 From a planning perspective, marketers should understand that when most of the light
644 exercisers purchase promoted exercise products, an overjustification effect occurs when they
645 decide the postpurchase exercise behavior. To alleviate any overjustification concerns of the
646 light exerciser segment, we provide two specific recommendations. First, marketers should
647 communicate that the promoted product is focused on the benefit rather than the incentive
648 offered in the promotion. If consumers believe that the promoted brand is promotion focused,
649 they will respond less positively to the product (Forehand, 2000). Second, to encourage
650 consumers’ higher intrinsic motivation to exercise, mobile exercise apps could collaborate on
651 providing exercise-based rewards, rather than promotion-focused benefits, and turning them
652 into points that consumers can monetize to purchase exercise products (e.g., Adidas
653 Runtastic). This task-related reward reflects the level of exercise amount, which can induce a
654 greater intrinsic motivation to continue exercising (Rosenfield et al., 1980).

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656 *6.3 Limitations and future research directions*

657 This research has several limitations that provide opportunities for further research. First, we
658 used monthly aggregated data and thus could not conduct dynamic analyses on the interplay

659 among exercise, sales promotion, and purchases. Further research could incorporate real-time
660 exercise, promotion, and purchase data into an integrated model to uncover the dynamic
661 relationships relevant to mobile marketing.

662 Second, we conducted the Hausman test to verify that the unobserved heterogeneity
663 (i.e., random effect) should not correlate with observed covariates (e.g., age). While our result
664 reveals the consistency of both random-effect and fixed-effect models, this approach may
665 require other variables to test the heterogeneity including other demographic information
666 (e.g., gender and disposable income). In addition, designing and implementing field
667 experiments may allow for manipulating variables of interest in controlled settings (Johnson
668 et al., 2017).

669 Third, because we focused on the mobility of mobile exercise app users rather than
670 the locations of the app uses, we did not consider location-based mobile targeting (e.g., Fong
671 et al., 2015), which can help marketers promote the right products to the right consumers at
672 the right locations. Further research could incorporate additional exercise data, such as how
673 much and where an exercise app user exercises at a certain time.

674 Fourth, due to the data limitation, this study could not examine whether purchases of a
675 specific type of exercise product (e.g., treadmill for indoor exercise) may crowd out the time
676 of other exercise activities (e.g., running outside), leading to reduction of the total exercise
677 amount. For example, after someone buys a promoted treadmill, s/he stays at home walking
678 and does not go to a gym for running or a mountain for hiking. This calls for further research
679 on validating an overjustification effect in the exercise setting. Hence, researchers must
680 examine whether the purchase of promoted products reduces the exercise amount due to the
681 psychological reactance or simply the behavioral change among different exercises.

682 Finally, although exercise is an important topic in public health management, research
683 could collect more comprehensive data on people's health-related activities, such as fitness,

684 nutrition, and sleep, in addition to exercise. Tracking users' activities throughout the entire
685 day will provide information about their general health status, which may have an effect on
686 firms' promotion activities and consumers' purchase behavior. These limitations offer new
687 insights to explore exercise behavior-based marketing practices.

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Table 1. Overview of relevant sales promotion literature

Source	Research setting	Type of data	Response to sales promotion	Postpurchase behavior	Key findings
Ailawadi et al. (2007)	Promotion-induced stockpiling	Scanner panel	Brand choices and incidences	Repeat purchases	Promotion-induced stockpiling increases consumption and repeat purchases.
Chandon et al. (2000)	Offering monetary and nonmonetary promotions	Experiment	Product choice		The effect of monetary promotions varies depending on benefit congruency, but the effect of nonmonetary promotions is positive.
Dodson et al. (1978)	Offering and retracting a deal	Scanner panel	Choice		The effect of a deal on brand choice is positive in the short run but negative in the long run when the deal is retracted.
Eisenbeiss et al. (2015)	Deal-of-the-day (DoD) promotions	Lab and field experiment	Deal attractiveness, sales		The discount level of DoDs increases promotional effectiveness for utilitarian more than for hedonic products.
Guadagni and Little (1983)	Offering store promotion and price cut	Scanner panel	Brand choice	Subsequent purchase	Promotional purchases decrease the likelihood of a subsequent purchase of that brand.
Guha et al. (2018)	Comparing the discount depth against the sale price	Field and lab experiment	Perceived discount depth, purchase intentions		Framing the price promotion by comparing it with the sale price increases consumers' discount depth perceptions and purchase intentions.
Lim et al. (2005)	Short- and longer-term effects of price promotions	Scanner panel	Product quantity		The longer-term effects of price promotions differ across consumer segments (heavy vs. light, loyal vs. non-loyal vs. switcher)
Neslin et al. (1985)	Offering coupons, advertising, and discounts	Scanner panel	Interpurchase time, purchase quantity		Coupon and discount have a positive effect on quantity but no relationship to interpurchase time. Advertising is relatively ineffective.
Nunes and Park (2003)	Offering monetary and nonmonetary promotions	Experiment	Choice		People attend to absolute benefit (i.e., monetary) rather than relative (i.e., nonmonetary) differences.
Papatla and Krishnamurthi (1996)	Offering coupons, displays and features	Scanner panel	Brand loyalty, price sensitivity	Subsequent purchase	Coupons erode brand loyalty and increase price sensitivity, while prior purchases made on display and feature promotions have a positive effect on subsequent purchases.
Park et al. (2018)	Short- and longer-term effects of mobile price and non-price promotions	Transactions	Purchase incidence and purchase amount		While price discount coupons strengthen the short-term impact on purchase amount, non-price free sample coupons increase purchase propensity over a longer period.
Ramanathan and Dhar (2010)	Offering monetary promotions	Lab and field experiment	Purchase quantity, expenditure		Sales promotion cues affect the size and composition of a consumer's shopping basket.
Simonson et al. (1994)	Offering unneeded promotions	Experiment	Brand choice		Discounts and product features with little value do not increase purchase probability.
<i>This study</i>	Purchasing promoted and nonpromoted products	Exercise and transactions	Purchase expenditure	Subsequent exercise and purchase	The purchase of (nonmonetarily) promoted products decreases (increases) consumers' subsequent exercise (expenditure) but increases heavy exercisers' subsequent exercise.

Table 2. Purchase behavioral changes by exercise activities

Exerciser group	Type of purchased product	Consumers		Purchase incidence per consumer	
		Total number	Difference (nonpromoted - promoted)	Average number	% increase (promoted / nonpromoted)
Light	Nonpromoted	2,776	1,879	0.73	71%
	Promoted	897		1.25	
Medium	Nonpromoted	2,722	1,628	0.95	43%
	Promoted	1,094		1.36	
Heavy	Nonpromoted	2,792	1,487	1.42	16%
	Promoted	1,305		1.65	

Table 3. Operationalization of variables

Variable	Type	Description
$CALORIE_{it}$	DV	How many calories consumer i burns in month t .
$EXPENDITURE_{it}$	DV	How much consumer i spends given that he or she purchases in month t
$CALORIE_CUM_{it-1}$	IV	Cumulative (weighted average) calories that consumer i has burned until month $t - 1$.
$MONETARY_{it}$	IV	1 if consumer i purchases a product with monetary promotion in month t , 0 otherwise.
$NONMONETARY_{it}$	IV	1 if consumer i purchases a product with nonmonetary promotion in month t , 0 otherwise.
$NONE_{it}$	IV	1 if consumer i purchases a product without sales promotion in month t , 0 otherwise.
AGE_{it}	CV	Age of consumer i in month t
$MONTH_t$	CV	A set of 11 dummy variables that represent a specific month in month t
$YEAR_t$	CV	A set of 2 dummy variables that represent a specific year (2014, 2015) in t

Note: DV, IV, and CV denote dependent variable, independent variable, and control variable, respectively.

Table 4. Parameter estimation of exercise and purchase models

Variable	Model 1 (DV: burned calories)		Model 2 (DV: purchase expenditure)	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
Intercept	-2.499**	0.126	10.480**	0.078
EXERCISE_CUM _{t-1}	0.958**	0.005	0.006**	0.002
MONETARY _{t-1}	-1.475**	0.285	-0.099*	0.056
NONMONETARY _{t-1}	-1.631**	0.227	0.238*	0.144
NONE _{t-1}	0.902**	0.167		
MONETARY _{t-1} × EXERCISE_CUM _{t-1}	0.092**	0.034	0.015	0.007
NONMONETARY _{t-1} × EXERCISE_CUM _{t-1}	0.136**	0.027	-0.024	0.018
NONE _{t-1} × EXERCISE_CUM _{t-1}	-0.257**	0.014		
AGE	0.581**	0.019	0.003	0.013
MONTH (January-November)	Controlled		Controlled	
YEAR (2014-2015)	Controlled		Controlled	
Variance of regression error	4.055	0.009	0.845	0.007
Variance of heterogeneity	2.345	0.028	0.284	0.014
IMR for MONETARY _{t-1}	2.729**	0.502	0.015**	0.007
IMR for NONMONETARY _{t-1}	2.349**	0.406	0.155**	0.012
IMR for NONE _{t-1}	6.087**	0.468		
Carryover effect of past exercise efforts	0.719	0.004		

** 95% credible interval does not contain zero.

* 90% credible interval does not contain zero.

Note: DV and SD denote dependent variable and standard deviation, respectively.

EXERCISE_CUM is CALORIE_CUM. As we estimated Model 1 and Model 2 jointly, the coefficient of carryover effect of past exercise efforts was estimated from the integrated model of Model 1 and Model 2.

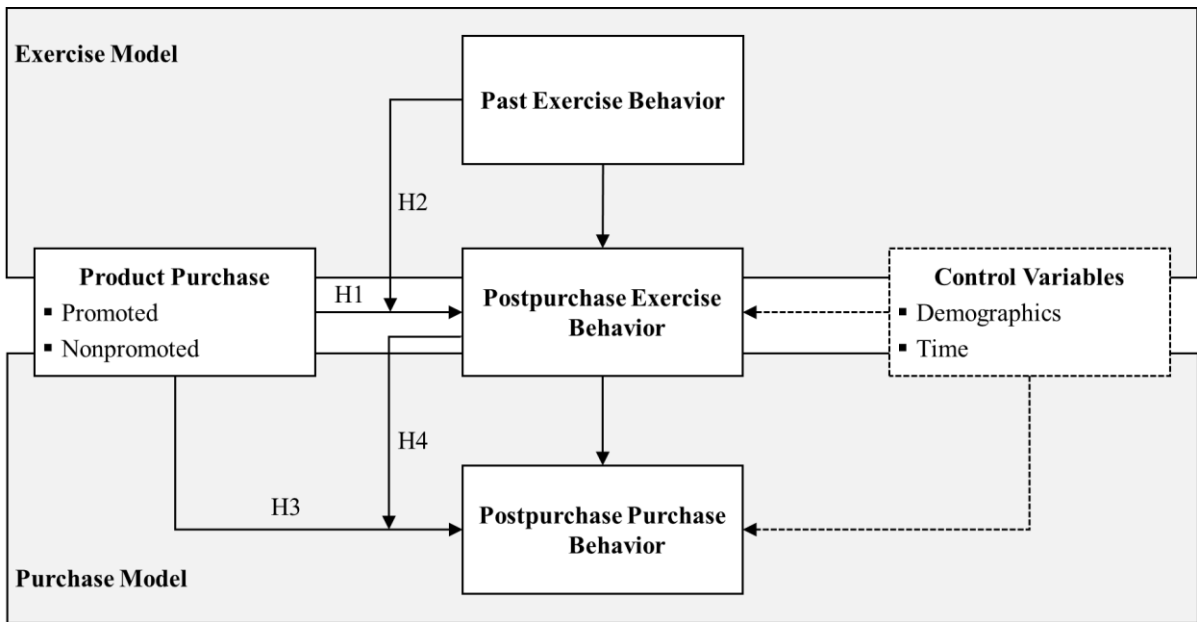
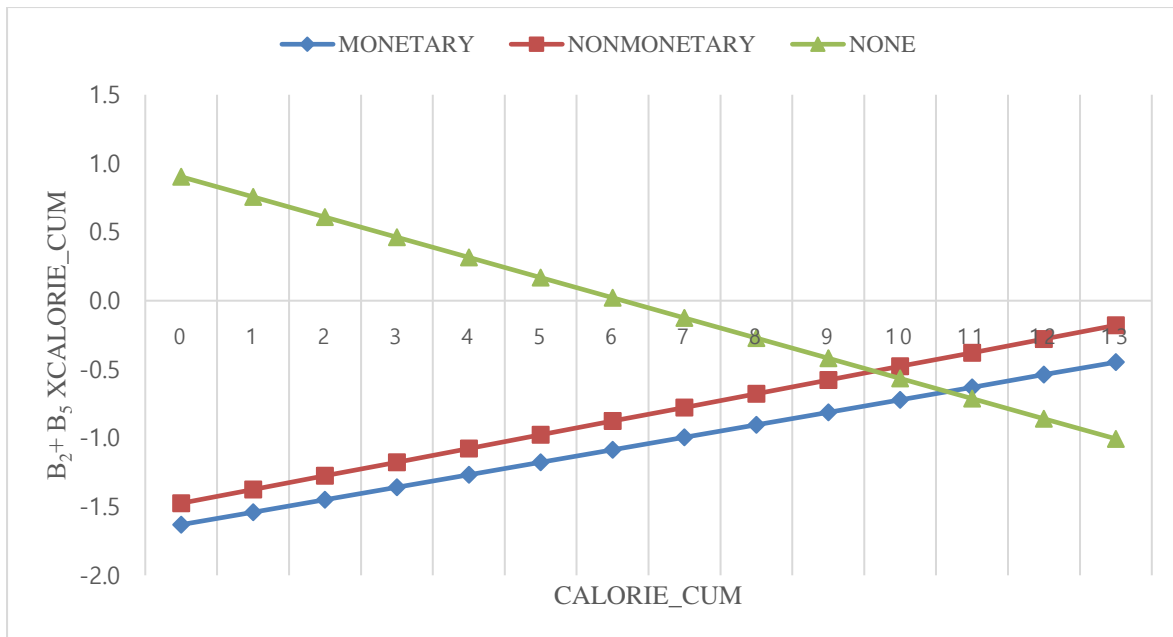


Figure 1. Proposed conceptual framework.



Note: X-axis denotes exercise level (calories), and Y-axis denotes combination of (1) main effect of type of purchased product (monetary, nonmonetary, nonpromoted) and (2) its interaction effect with exercise level.

Figure 2. Interactions between type of purchased products and cumulative exercise amount.