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China's high-tech industry was used as a case study to find the factors influencing employee turnover intention. For this research, the primary focus was the effects of transformational leadership and its relationship with organizational identification and communication satisfaction. The study addressed the growing issue of high turnover rates in the high-tech sector by examining how leadership styles, alignment with organization values, and effective communication contribute to retaining employees.

A mixed-method approach was implemented to combine quantitative surveys with qualitative interviews. The data was then statistically analyzed using SPSS and AMOS. The study applies structural equation modeling, regression analysis, factor analysis, and variance analysis to the relationships between transformational leadership, organizational commitment, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention. This approach provide a higher degree of understanding of the turnover issue in the high-tech industry.

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The results found a positive impact of transformational leadership on reducing turnover intentions by fostering employee loyalty, job satisfaction, personal growth, and a strong sense of belonging. The research also found that organizational identification is vital to retention, as it links alignment with company values and lowers turnover intentions. Communication satisfaction was also crucial because effective internal communication builds trust and a sense of belonging, influencing employees' decisions to stay with the company.

In conclusion, this study offers practical strategies for managing employee turnover in the high-tech industry and contributes by clarifying how leadership styles, organizational culture, and communication practices affect employee retention.

**Keywords:** transformational leadership, organizational identification, communication satisfaction, employee turnover intention, high-technology industry

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### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREBIATONS**

TL Transformational Leadership

OI Organizational Identification

CS Communication Satisfaction

TI Turnover Intention

IV Independent Variable

CRQ Communication Research Questionnaire

QSA Quantity of Sampling Appropriateness

SIT Social Identity Theory

ETI Employee Turnover Intention

CST Communication Satisfaction Theory

CSQ Communication Satisfaction Questionnaire

TLQ Transformational Leadership Questionnaire

KMO Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin

# CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

The first chapter is an introduction, which briefly explains the research background, questions, goals, expected research results, and keyword definitions.

This chapter is divided into eight parts.

- 1.1 Background of the Problems
- 1.2 Significance of the Problems
- 1.3 Research Question
- 1.4 Research Objective
- 1.5 Scope of the Study
- 1.6 Limitations of the Study
- 1.7 Expected Results
- 1.8 Research Methods
- 1.9 Definitions of Key Terms

#### 1.1 Background of the problem

The high-tech industry, a powerful engine of global economic growth and societal change, faces a significant challenge in China: high employee turnover. While the industry's rapid growth has elevated China's international standing, this swift expansion has come at a cost. The loss of skilled workers threatens the industry's stability and future success. Understanding the complex factors that drive employees to leave is crucial for developing effective retention strategies in this turbulent environment(Lauzikas & Miliute, 2020). It finds itself a dynamic battleground in China. While its rapid expansion catapults the nation onto the world stage (Zhang, 2023). This breakneck pace comes at a steep cost: a hemorrhaging of talent, with skyrocketing employee turnover rates that threaten to unravel its very fabric (Wang & Jiang, 2021). Understanding the intricate dance of factors that sway employees toward the exit door becomes paramount, a quest for the holy grail of retention in this volatile landscape.

Previous research has highlighted the influence of leadership styles, organizational culture, and workplace dynamics on employee turnover. Transformational Leadership, focusing on inspiration and motivation, has been notably recognized for its potential to reduce turnover intentions (Bass & Avolio, 1994; Judge & Piccolo, 2004). Equally captivating is organizational identification, that elusive sense of belonging and alignment that binds employees to their corporate vessel (Mael & Ashforth, 1992). And let us remember the pivotal role of communication satisfaction, where open, transparent dialogues weave a tapestry of trust and camaraderie (Clampitt & Downs, 1993). These intertwined and interconnected constructs hold the potential to sway the pendulum of turnover intentions (Allen, 2003).

However, existing research has yet to fully explore the unique interplay of these factors within the specific context of China's high-tech industry. This industry, characterized by rapid technological advancements, fierce competition, and a constantly changing workforce, requires a tailored understanding of how these factors influence employee turnover. (Gotsis & Grimani, 2016). This industry demands a bespoke knowledge of how these forces converge to shape the destiny of its human capital.

This thesis aims to bridge this gap by investigating the complex relationship between transformational Leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction in China's high-tech industry. The goal is to understand how these factors affect employee turnover intentions.

From a theoretical perspective, this research will contribute to the development of a more nuanced and comprehensive framework for understanding employee retention in the high-tech sector. By unraveling the interplay of these factors, the study will shed light on a phenomenon that has long puzzled scholars and practitioners.

This thesis ventures into uncharted territory, offering a significant theoretical contribution by examining the intricate interplay of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover

intentions within the unique crucible of China's high-tech industry. By dissecting the complex relationships between these factors, we aim to illuminate their collective impact on employee retention in this rapidly evolving sector, enriching our understanding of the dynamics that underpin talent management in this critical domain.

Practically, the findings of this study will serve as a guide for high-tech companies in China to navigate talent retention challenges. By identifying the key drivers of employee turnover intentions, the research will equip organizations with the knowledge to develop targeted interventions focusing on leadership practices, communication strategies, and cultivating a shared organizational identity. These measures cannot only reduce talent loss but also foster a more engaged and committed workforce. The ultimate goal is to enhance organizational performance, fuel innovation, and secure a sustainable competitive advantage in the Chinese high-tech industry.

#### 1.2 Significance of the Problems

Understanding employee turnover intention is critical for organizational sustainability, especially in industries experiencing rapid technological advancements and intense market competition. High turnover rates can lead to substantial costs associated with recruitment and training, decreased productivity, and low morale among remaining employees. This thesis addresses the critical need to understand the dynamics of employee turnover intention within China's high-technology industry, a sector marked by its fast-paced technological evolution, intense competitive pressures, and constantly changing work environment.

This research explores the interplay between transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction, as well as their collective impact on employee turnover intention. This study fills a gap in the existing literature by examining these factors within the context of China's high-tech industry. It provides a nuanced understanding of how these elements uniquely manifest and

influence employee retention in an environment where traditional retention strategies may not suffice due to the sector's distinct characteristics.

From a practical standpoint, the findings of this research offer valuable insights for managers and leaders within the high-tech sector in China. Leaders can develop more targeted and effective strategies by gaining a clearer understanding of how transformational leadership styles, the promotion of organizational identification, and the enhancement of communication satisfaction can influence employee turnover intentions. These strategies can aid in reducing turnover rates, thereby enhancing organizational performance and stability. Implementing such targeted approaches is crucial for maintaining a competent workforce capable of navigating the sector's dynamic challenges.

The thesis implications extend beyond the high-tech industry in China. It advances our understanding of how transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction play a role in employee retention across various sectors. Such insights are invaluable for a wide range of organizations that face similar challenges in attracting and retaining talent, thus significantly contributing to human resource management and organizational behavior.

#### 1.3 Research Questions

This research aims to address the following key questions:

- 1. How do transformational Leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction interact to influence employee turnover intention in the high-tech industry?
- 2. What is the specific mechanism through which transformational Leadership, mediated by organizational identification and moderated by communication satisfaction, affects employee turnover intention in the high-tech industry?

#### 1.4 Research Objectives

The primary objective of this research is to investigate the impact of transformational leadership on employee turnover intention in China's high-tech industry. The study aims to:

- 1. To examine the mediating role of organizational identification and the moderating role of communication satisfaction in the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention.
- **2.** To provide practical recommendations for high-tech firms in China to enhance talent retention through effective Leadership and communication strategies.

#### 1.5 Scope of the Study

The scope of this doctoral dissertation is meticulously delineated to explore the determinants of employee turnover intentions within the high-tech industry of China:

- 1. The dissertation investigates the factors that influence employee turnover intention within China's high-tech industry.
- 2. The study concentrates on major high-tech hubs in China, including Beijing, Shanghai, and Shenzhen, and encompasses approximately 30 regions.
- 3. The research employs a mixed-methods approach, combining quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis.
- 4. Data Collection is gathered through Surveys. Approximately 500 electronic and paper-based questionnaires are distributed to a diverse group of professionals working in critical high-tech fields (pharmaceuticals, electronics, aerospace, advanced materials).
- 5. In-depth interviews are conducted with ten managers from high-tech organizations.

#### 1.6 Research Methodology

The dissertation employs a mixed-methods research design incorporating quantitative and qualitative approaches. The quantitative component involves the distribution of questionnaires to employees in the high-tech industry, utilizing SPSS and AMOS for statistical analysis and structural equation modeling. The qualitative aspect comprises in-depth interviews with managers to gain deeper insights into employee turnover intention. This multifaceted approach aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the complex relationships between transformational leadership, organizational identification, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention in China's high-tech industry.

#### 1.7 Expected Results

This study aims to provide insights into the complex dynamics of employee turnover intention within China's high-tech industry. The expected outcomes are:

- 1. A deeper understanding of how transformational leadership influences employee turnover intention in this specific context.
- 2. An exploration of the interactive effects of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover intention.

The development of practical management recommendations and strategies tailored to the needs of high-tech organizations in China enables them to address employee needs better, reduce turnover, and enhance job satisfaction and loyalty.

#### 1.8 Benefit of the study

Enhance understanding of the impact of transformational Leadership on employee turnover intention, particularly within China's high-tech industry.

Explore the interactive effects of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover intention, providing a more nuanced understanding of the factors influencing employee retention.

Offer practical management recommendations and strategies tailored to the needs of high-tech organizations in China, enabling them to address employee needs, reduce turnover, and enhance job satisfaction and loyalty.

#### 1.9 Definitions of Key Terms

The key terms in this paper are transformational leadership, turnover intention, High-Technology Industry in China, organizational identity, and communication satisfaction:

**Table 1.1 Definitions of Key Terms** 

Term	Definitions
Transformational Leadership	Transformational leadership refers to a style of Leadership that involves leaders using attributes such as charisma, inspirational motivation, intellectual stimulation, and individualized consideration to enable followers to recognize the significance of their responsibilities and tasks, thereby stimulating their highest levels of motivation and performance. (James MacGregor Burns, 1978)
Turnover Intention	Turnover intention refers to an employee's willingness or desire to leave their current job or organization. It is a measure of an employee's dissatisfaction or intention to leave their employment. (Porter and Lawler, 1968)
Organizational Identity	Organizational Identity refers to the sense of shared membership, identification, and attachment an individual has with an organization. It involves how individuals see themselves as members of the organization and define their identity in terms of their organizational membership. (Albert,1985)
Communication	Communication Satisfaction refers to an individual's

Term	Definitions
Satisfaction	level of satisfaction with the quality and effectiveness of communication within an organization. It reflects the extent to which communication channels and processes support the exchange of information and facilitate understanding and cooperation among members. (Hatch and Dyer, 1987)
High-	The high-technology industry in China refers to the
Technology	industry that focuses on the development, production, and
Industry in	application of advanced technology products and services. This
China	industry typically includes fields such as information
	technology, biotechnology, aerospace, and new energy technologies. (Chinese government agencies, 1980s)

#### **CHAPTER 2**

#### LITERATURE REVIEW

The second chapter is a literature review of the article's keywords and a brief Assumption.

This chapter is divided into eight parts:

- 2.1 Theoretical Basis and Literature Review
- 2.2 Employee Turnover and Intention
- 2.3 Organizational Identity Theories
- 2.4 Communication Satisfaction Theory
- 2.5 High-tech Industry in the Era of Globalization
- 2.6 Research Status of the Relationship between Variables
- 2.7 Related Researches
- 2.8 Conceptual Framework, Operational Definition, Hypothesis, and Explanation of Hypothesis

#### 2.1 Theoretical Basis and Literature Review

This study is grounded in Social Identity Theory (SIT), which posits that an individual's sense of self is deeply intertwined with their group affiliations (Tajfel & Turner, 1979; Ashforth & Mael, 1989). In the workplace, this translates to employees developing a sense of identity connected to their company and its values. This connection can significantly influence their behavior and attitudes.

Transformational leaders, with their emphasis on a shared vision and collective goals, are adept at cultivating a strong sense of collective identity within the organization. This, in turn, strengthens employees' organizational identification, fostering a deep sense of belonging and commitment. A robust organizational

identification has been consistently linked to a multitude of positive outcomes, including a marked reduction in turnover intentions (Riketta, 2005).

The influence of transformational leadership extends beyond organizational identification. Effective communication, a cornerstone of this leadership style, plays a crucial role in nurturing trust and a sense of belonging among employees (Podsakoff et al., 1990). Open communication not only enhances job satisfaction but also fosters knowledge sharing and innovation, which are essential for retaining top talent in the fast-paced high-tech industry (Gumusluoglu & Ilsev, 2009). Furthermore, the psychological empowerment that arises from such communication practices further reduces turnover intentions, providing employees with a sense of autonomy and influence (Cheong et al., 2018).

In this study, we investigate the complex relationship between transformational leadership (the independent variable) and employee turnover intention (the dependent variable), with organizational identification and communication satisfaction serving as crucial mediating factors. We hypothesize that transformational leadership will positively impact both organizational identification and communication satisfaction, which, in turn, will decrease the likelihood of employees leaving the company. This model aligns with SIT, underscoring the idea that a strong collective identity and open communication are vital in strengthening employees' connection to their organization, thereby reducing their desire to seek other opportunities.

#### 2.1.1 Leadership Theories

The earliest leadership theories focused on inherent traits that set successful leaders apart. However, this view was later challenged, recognizing the importance of both traits and situational factors in leadership behavior. The behavioral school of thought, exemplified by research from Ohio State University, Michigan State University, and Blake and Mouton's Managerial Grid, further emphasized the significance of specific leadership actions. In the late 1940s, Ohio State University conducted research on leadership styles, aiming to identify the independent structure

of leadership behavior. The most fundamental leadership behaviors were identified as initiating structure and consideration. Blake and Mouton's Managerial Grid expanded on this, describing leadership behavior in two dimensions: concern for people and concern for production. They categorized 81 leadership styles, with five representative ones being authoritative, compliant, country club, impoverished, and team-oriented.

In the late 1950s, researchers began to examine leadership behavior from a situational perspective, recognizing that effectiveness of leadership is contingent upon factors such as task structure, leader-member relationships, and leadership authority. Contingency theories, such as Hersey and Blanchard's Situational Leadership Theory and Fiedler's Contingency Model, proposed that leadership effectiveness depends on the alignment between leadership style and situational demands.

The evolution of leadership theory culminated in the development of modern leadership theories, which emphasize the interaction of needs and personality traits between leaders and subordinates, as well as the influence of culture, environment, and other contextual factors on leadership behavior. Prominent modern leadership theories include transactional leadership, transformational leadership, and charismatic leadership.

#### 2.1.2 Measuring Transformational Leadership

Transformational leadership, while rooted in existing leadership and motivation theories, is recognized as a distinct theory particularly suited for contemporary organizations navigating change. (Mitchelson et al., 2016; Margana et al., 2019). It centers on inspiring followers by communicating a clear vision and high expectations, promoting intelligence and problem-solving, and treating each employee as an individual (Milhem et al., 2019). Effective transformational leaders provide motivational anchoring, managepersonality differences, possess strong interpersonal skills, and cultivate cultural intelligence to lead diverse workforces (Anisa Martono, 2019; Peng & Tseng, 2019; Suryaningrum et al., 2019; Tafvelin et al., 2019).

The theory is deeply grounded in charisma, vision, and a sense of purpose—qualities that inspire pride, respect, and trust among followers (Margana et al., 2019). It also places a strong emphasis on intellectual stimulation, encouraging followers to engage in rational thinking, problem-solving, and creative exploration. Moreover, transformational leadership acknowledges the importance of individualized consideration, providing coaching and support tailored to each employee's unique needs and aspirations..

However, leading in today's organizations presents its own set of challenges. Milhem et al. (2019) highlight the difficulties in motivating disengaged or complacent employees and managing highly skilled individuals who may resist traditional motivational techniques. This underscores the need for leaders to adapt their strategies to meet the evolving demands of their workforce. Simultaneously, transformational leadership requires leaders to offer personalized coaching and advice, which helps in addressing individual employee needs while also anchoring the organizational climate. This approach reduces the impact of individual personalities by fostering shared values among employees.

Anisa Martono (2019) emphasizes the critical role of motivating employees who may have lost hope or become too comfortable in their roles. To fully leverage the knowledge base within the organization and enhance performance, leaders must address these challenges head-on. Similarly, Peng and Tseng (2019) note that managing highly skilled employees poses a unique challenge. These employees often resist controlled motivation, preferring autonomous motivation instead, as the latter fosters their creativity and innovation. Therefore, managers must design effective strategies that address these preferences while maintaining trust, motivation, and team spirit.

Saleem et al. (2019) further underscore the importance of improving team morale and performance through motivation, highlighting it as a crucial task for transformational leaders. Sidharta (2019) adds that to be effective, transformational leaders must possess a wide range of general and task-specific skills. These include the ability to navigate complexities such as employee relationships, competencies, and

autonomy, as well as problem-solving, professionalism, effective communication, technical expertise, and innovative thinking.

Leading a diverse workforce introduces additional complexities, as noted by Suryaningrum et al. (2019). Leaders must possess the technical skills necessary to communicate effectively and organize training and mentoring programs that enhance individual employee performance. Moreover, Tafvelin et al. (2019) emphasize the importance of improving cultural intelligence to effectively manage employees from different backgrounds. In tandem with this, leaders must be persuasive and capable of clearly communicating their ideas to achieve organizational goals.

In the context of major organizational changes, transformational leadership has been shown to enhance employee engagement, with the magnitude of this effect being contingent upon the level of trust employees place in their leader (Nazmul Islam, 2020). Despite being distinct from traditional leadership theories, transformational leadership integrates various perspectives to address emerging needs effectively (Li & Shi, 2005; Sun, 2010). Research has confirmed the applicability of transformational leadership in Chinese contexts, leading to the development of relevant measurement scales (Meng, 2013; Xu, 2014). Studies demonstrate that transformational leadership positively impacts team creativity, employee engagement, team voice behavior, innovation performance, and organizational citizenship behaviors in China (Wang et al., 2015; Duan, 2017; He & Zhang, 2020).

Synthesizing the contributions of various scholars, this study adopts a comprehensive definition of transformational leadership. It views transformational leadership as a style that not only articulates clear organizational goals and visions but also understands and motivates employees to align their efforts with these goals. This leadership style is characterized by a focus on nurturing each employee's potential, encouraging innovative thinking, and fostering a shared vision for organizational success. Such an approach is particularly relevant in today's fast-paced, innovation-driven high-tech industry, where the ability to adapt to change and foster employee commitment is crucial for organizational sustainability.

#### 2.1.3 Dimensions of Transformational Leadership

As explored in this thesis study, transformational leadership has four distinct dimensions based on seminal research. The dimensions are as follows:

#### Related foreign research

The foundation for understanding transformational leadership is primarily credited to Bass's groundbreaking work. His development of the Multifactor Leadership Questionnaire (MLQ) is pivotal. The MLQ assesses a spectrum of leadership styles and behaviors, encompassing transactional leadership, transformational leadership, and laissez-faire leadership.

It is believed that transformational leadership mainly includes three dimensions: charisma-inspirational Leadership, intelligent stimulation, and personalized care. (Later, 2019) further differentiated "charisma-inspirational leadership" into leadership charisma and charisma. In this way, the four-dimensional structure of transformational leadership, charisma, charisma, intelligent stimulation, and personalized care, is obtained, which is often mentioned:

**Table 2.1 Dimensions of Transformational Leadership** 

Dimensions Items	Specific methods
Intellectual stimulation	Leaders communicate high expectations to subordinates, motivating them to join the team and become part of a shared dream. In practice, leaders often use team spirit and emotional appeal to rally subordinates' efforts to achieve team goals. As a result, work performance is much higher than when employees strive for their interests.
Inspirational motivation	Leaders can inspire the work motivation of organizational members and endow employees with important meanings to work, to improve employees' work expectations and believe that they can

Dimensions Items	Specific methods
	perform better than expected standards.
Individualized consideration	Personalized care refers to caring for each subordinate, paying attention to individual needs, abilities, and wishes, listening patiently and meticulously, and training and guiding each subordinate differently according to each subordinate's different situations and needs. At this time, transformational leaders are like coaches and advisors, helping employees grow in coping with challenges.
Idealized influence	Idealized influence refers to behaviors that can make others trust, admire, and follow. It includes the leader becoming a model of subordinates' behavior and gaining subordinates' recognition, respect, and trust. These leaders generally have recognized high ethical and moral standards and solid personal charm and are deeply loved and trusted by their subordinates. Everyone agrees and supports the vision planning he advocated, and has high hopes for him to achieve a career.

# 2. Evolution and Dimensions of Transformational Leadership in Chinese Organizational Contexts

In the context of Chinese culture, research on transformational leadership has made significant advances in understanding its dimensional structure, offering insights that align with and expand upon Western theories. Zhang and Li (2020) laid a critical foundation by empirically proposing that transformational leadership in China consists of four dimensions: vision inspiration, leadership charisma, virtue modeling, and individualized consideration. Their pioneering work paved the way for further explorations into the intricacies of transformational leadership within the distinct cultural landscape of China.

Building on this foundation, Wang et al. (2021) explored transformational leadership in educational settings, proposing a five-factor structure specifically tailored to university environments. This structure includes vision inspiration, moral conduct, unity and collaboration, leadership charisma, and caring inspiration—highlighting the importance of moral and collaborative dimensions in the realm of educational leadership. The inclusion of these dimensions reflects the unique demands and values of leadership within Chinese educational institutions.

Meanwhile, Liu and Chen (2019) conducted a comprehensive literature analysis, summarizing five distinct dimensions of transformational leadership: goal sharing, talent stimulation, moral conduct, emotional care, and personality promotion. Their analysis emphasized the emotional and personal aspects of leadership, which are crucial in motivating and engaging followers within the Chinese context.

Further empirical validation of transformational leadership's dimensions came from Huang and Xie (2022), who supported a four-factor model comprising moral conduct, vision inspiration, individualized consideration, and leadership charisma. This model underscored the significance of moral conduct and visionary leadership in inspiring and guiding followers, reinforcing the cultural emphasis on ethical leadership and foresight.

More recently, Chen and Shi (2023) expanded the discourse by examining how transformational leadership influences employee performance through mechanisms such as psychological empowerment and organizational identification. They identified three key dimensions: psychological empowerment, organizational identification, and vision communication, reflecting the dynamic interplay between leadership, employee empowerment, and organizational commitment. This study highlighted the psychological and communicative aspects of leadership that are particularly effective in the Chinese organizational environment.

Collectively, these studies underscore a sustained empirical effort to refine the transformational leadership model within the Chinese cultural context. Common dimensions such as vision inspiration, virtue modeling, and individualized

consideration appear consistently across studies, indicating their foundational role in Chinese leadership. However, unique aspects like unity, collaboration, and caring inspiration also emerge, revealing how cultural influences shape leadership practices in China. This body of work not only provides a robust theoretical foundation for the present study but also offers valuable avenues for enhancing the theoretical understanding of transformational leadership within China's distinctive cultural and organizational landscapes.

#### 2.1.4 Measuring Transformational Leadership

The dimensionality and conceptual validity of the widely utilized Multifactor Leadership Questionnaire (MLQ) have been subject to extensive scrutiny over the years. While some studies have praised the MLQ for its acceptable psychometric properties (Bass & Avolio, 1995), others have raised concerns about its factor structure and cultural applicability. For instance, Den Hartog et al. (1997), in their examination of a Dutch sample, observed that the four dimensions of transformational leadership, as proposed by the MLQ, failed to distinguish themselves and instead converged into a single factor. This issue was echoed by Carless (1998) in an Australian context, where a unidimensional structure was obtained, leading to questions about the MLQ's discriminant validity. Such findings suggest that the MLQ, while foundational, may lack the nuanced specificity needed in diverse cultural settings.

Critics of the MLQ's American-centric origins, such as Alimo-Metcalfe (1998), have argued for the necessity of developing leadership measurement tools that are culturally contextualized. In response to this critique, Alimo-Metcalfe introduced the Transformational Leadership Questionnaire (TLQ), specifically designed for the UK context, encompassing 14 dimensions of visionary leadership. This development underscored the growing recognition that leadership behaviors and their interpretations are deeply influenced by cultural contexts, necessitating the adaptation or creation of new tools for non-Western environments.

In China, the relevance and applicability of the MLQ have been critically evaluated by Li and Shi (2005), who applied the questionnaire to a sample of 149 Chinese managers. Employing both exploratory and confirmatory factor analyses, their study aimed to assess whether the MLQ could adequately capture the four transformational leadership dimensions within a Chinese cultural framework. The findings were insightful; while the MLQ proved somewhat useful, it did not fully encapsulate the subtleties and nuances of transformational leadership as it manifests in the Chinese context. This gap in cultural relevance led to the development of the Transformational Leadership Questionnaire (TLQ), specifically tailored for China.

The Chinese TLQ emerged from a rigorous, inductive research process involving 470 subordinates, ultimately producing a 23-item scale spread across four dimensions. The TLQ exhibited robust psychometric properties, including strong reliability and predictive validity, demonstrating its superiority over Westerndeveloped scales like the MLQ in the Chinese context. Notably, the TLQ was highly effective in measuring the transformational leadership qualities that are particularly valued within Chinese organizational cultures, such as the emphasis on collective harmony and hierarchical respect. This shift towards culturally appropriate measurement tools reflects a broader trend in leadership research, particularly in non-Western contexts. The work of Den Hartog et al. (1997), Carless (1998), and Alimo-Metcalfe (1998) collectively highlights the limitations of applying Western-developed leadership scales across culturally diverse landscapes. These studies underline the importance of adopting a more nuanced approach that considers local cultural values and meanings when measuring leadership constructs. Therefore, when integrating mainstream transformational leadership theories into research, especially in culturally distinct settings like China, it is imperative to employ locally validated scales. Such scales not only ensure cultural relevance but also significantly enhance the accuracy and validity of research findings, contributing to a more comprehensive global understanding of transformational leadership.

Recent studies further underscore the need for culturally specific tools. Liu et al. (2020) investigated leadership practices in Southeast Asia, finding that leadership

behaviors valued in these regions often differ from those emphasized in Western models. Chen and Yang (2019) expanded on this by demonstrating that transformational leadership in Eastern contexts often integrates Confucian values, which are not adequately captured by Western-developed questionnaires. Additionally, Nguyen et al. (2021) highlighted that in Vietnam, leadership measurement tools need to account for both the collectivist culture and the rapid industrialization process, elements often overlooked in Western models.

These studies collectively advocate for the development and use of culturally tailored leadership assessments to better capture the unique aspects of leadership in different regions. The increasing global interconnectedness of businesses makes this an urgent priority, ensuring that leadership assessments remain relevant and effective across diverse cultural landscapes.

**Table 2.2 Transformational Leadership Scale** 

Measure dimensions	Measurement payments
Express a vision	Our leader is very clear about where we want to go.  Our leader lets us know the vision of the future of our organization.  Our leader always tries to make our organization more successful.  Our leader encourages others to share his/her vision of the future.  Our leader can make others believe their dream. Our leader not only uses "Words" but leads us by example.
Set an example	Our leader sets an excellent example for us.  Our leader takes a "Lead by example" approach to Leadership.  Our leader promotes cooperation between our team and other teams.  Our leader encourages us to be a "Team player."
Promoting co-operation	Our leaders inspire us to work toward a common goal.  Our leaders foster team spirit among our employees.  Our leaders let us know that they have high expectations of us.
High expectations	Our leaders motivate me to set high goals for myself.  Our leaders set challenging goals for us. Before doing something to

Measure dimensions	Measurement payments
	me, our leaders don't consider my personal feelings.  Our leaders respect my personal feelings.
Personalized care	In showing leadership behavior or style, our leaders take into account my personal needs and how our leaders treat me, regardless of my personal feelings.  Our leaders often encourage me to think about old problems in new ways.  Our leaders often ask questions to promote how we think and do things.
Intellectual stimulation	Our leaders motivate me to rethink the way I do things. Our leaders have the means to make me re-examine my beliefs.

#### 2.1.5 Influences on Transformational Leadership

Recent research has extensively explored the influence of transformational leadership, revealing its profound impact on various organizational outcomes. Studies in Western contexts have established a link between transformational leadership and organizational citizenship behavior, particularly highlighting the positive correlation between individualized consideration and such behaviors. Graham and Dienesch (2020) argue that there is a significant positive relationship between subjective individualized care and organizational citizenship behavior. Similarly, Podsakoff et al. (2018) examined the relationship between transformational leadership and key outcomes such as subordinates' trust in leadership, job satisfaction, organizational commitment, and organizational citizenship behavior. Their findings underscore the pivotal role that transformational leadership plays in fostering positive organizational behaviors and attitudes.

In the Chinese context, Chen and Farh (2019) conducted a study focusing on the influence of transformational leadership on individual variables within a sample from Taiwan, China. They utilized factor analysis to classify the six transformational leadership behaviors proposed by Podsakoff et al. into two categories: relationship-oriented transformational leadership behavior and task-oriented transformational leadership behavior. Relationship-oriented behaviors primarily include promoting cooperation, individualized care, and model demonstration, while task-oriented behaviors encompass expressing vision, raising high expectations, and intellectual stimulation. The results of their study indicate that relationship-oriented transformational leadership has a more substantial influence on individual variables compared to task-oriented transformational leadership.

Additionally, research by Li et al. (2020) and Shi and Meng (2021) has demonstrated that transformational leadership significantly predicts organizational citizenship behavior among subordinates. Specifically, they found that a leader's personalized care effectively predicts subordinates' altruistic behavior, sense of responsibility, civic virtue, and polite behavior. These findings highlight the importance of individualized consideration in fostering positive employee behaviors that contribute to organizational success.

Scholars have also paid particular attention to the relationship between transformational leadership and organizational commitment. Through vision motivation, transformational leadership can inspire employees to identify with organizational goals, fostering a sense of connection to the organization's vision. This, in turn, motivates employees to exert additional effort toward achieving organizational objectives. Moreover, transformational leaders encourage employees to utilize their experiences to explore and solve problems, provide personalized care, and support personal development. These behaviors collectively increase employees' enthusiasm for their work, thereby enhancing organizational commitment. Empirical studies across different cultures and organizations have consistently shown a positive correlation between transformational leadership style and organizational commitment (Dubinsky et al., 2018; Bycio et al., 2019; Avolio, 2020; Chen et al., 2021).

Meng et al. (2022) further confirmed that transformational leadership and its sub-factors can predict employees' organizational commitment. According to Li and

Shi (2020), vision motivation and moral example have a significant impact on organizational commitment and employee satisfaction, while charisma and personalized care significantly affect employee satisfaction. Additionally, psychological empowerment has been shown to mediate the relationship between transformational leadership and employees' work attitudes. Vision motivation and moral integrity influence employee satisfaction and organizational commitment by enhancing the meaning of work, and vision motivation affects organizational commitment through self-efficacy.

Regarding the relationship between transformational leadership and leadership effectiveness, Li and Shi (2021) demonstrated through empirical research that leadership charisma and intellectual stimulation positively impact additional effort, leadership satisfaction, and leader effectiveness. Although personalized care had a positive effect on extra effort, it did not significantly impact leader effectiveness or leadership readiness. Interestingly, the influence of charisma on extra effort, leadership satisfaction, and leader effectiveness did not reach a significant level. Nonetheless, the positive impact of leadership charisma and intellectual stimulation on leadership effectiveness aligns with findings from Western research, particularly the emphasis on leadership charisma as a key dimension of transformational leadership.

# 2.1.6 The Relationship Between Transformational Leadership and Employee Turnover Intention

Extensive research in organizational behavior has explored the impact of transformational leadership, a style known for inspiring and motivating followers, on employee turnover intention. Studies consistently demonstrate that transformational leadership plays a pivotal role in reducing turnover intentions, highlighting its profound influence on employee retention (Chin et al., 2019; Smith & Verseeymer, 2010; Huang, 2019; Kim & Lee, 2020; Wang et al., 2019; Zhang & Wang, 2017).

The evidence suggests that transformational leadership isn't merely a theoretical construct, but a catalyst for change. It acts as a potent elixir, bolstering

critical factors known to quell the urge to depart, including organizational identification, job satisfaction, and the elusive spark of work engagement (Meng, 2013; Wang, 2018; Zhang, 2020; He & Ling, 2008; Suryaningrum, 2019). For instance, the revelation by He and Ling (2008) that transformational leaders' personalized approach to employee needs significantly elevates job satisfaction, thereby casting a chilling effect on turnover intentions. Or consider Meng's (2013) compelling argument that the visionary guidance of such leaders kindles a fierce organizational commitment, diminishing the allure of greener pastures.

However, the relationship between leadership style and turnover intention is multifaceted and can be influenced by contextual factors like industry demands and cultural norms (Milhem et al., 2019; Morgeson et al., 2015). In the high-tech industry, characterized by rapid technological advancements and fierce competition, transformational leadership may be even more crucial in managing turnover. Morgeson et al. (2015) suggest that this dynamic industry requires leaders who can not only inspire innovation but also provide the intellectual stimulation that drives it, both of which are hallmarks of transformational leadership.

espite extensive research, the specific impact of transformational leadership on turnover intention within China's high-tech industry remains unclear. This study aims to address this gap by examining the unique challenges and characteristics of this sector. We hypothesize:

Hypothesis 1: Transformational Leadership (TL), that captivating symphony of behaviors that inspire and motivate, is negatively associated with employee turnover intention (ETI), the inclination of an employee to sever ties with their current job, in the electrifying realm of China's high-tech industry.

#### 2.2 Addressing the Gap in the Literature

Despite the growing body of research on transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction, only some studies have explored how these factors interact within China's high-tech industry. This sector, characterized by rapid technological advancement and fierce global competition,

presents unique challenges for employee retention. Traditional leadership models often need to rupture the complexities of turnover intentions within this environment.

Moreover, much of the literature surrounding transformational leadership has focused on Western contexts, with limited exploration in China's high-tech sector (Zhang, 2020; Li, 2021). The cultural and economic differences between China and Western nations necessitate a closer look at how transformational leadership operates within this unique setting. This dissertation aims to address this gap by investigating the combined effects of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on turnover intention specifically within China's high-tech sector. By focusing on these interactions, the study contributes new insights into talent management practices for industries facing rapid innovation and high turnover.

In addition, although communication satisfaction has been identified as an important factor in employee retention (Men, 2014), there has been limited empirical research that connects it directly with transformational leadership and organizational identification. This study seeks to deepen the understanding of communication satisfaction as a mediator, offering a new dimension to the study of leadership and turnover intention. This investigation provides actionable insights for companies in China's high-tech industry, helping them refine their leadership and communication strategies to retain employees better.

#### 2.2.1 Employee Turnover Concept and Model

Tzinero & Birati (1996) analyzed the economic losses caused by employee turnover, identifying two primary components: direct costs and indirect costs. Direct costs include expenses related to recruitment, hiring, and training new employees, while indirect costs encompass factors such as decreased productivity and lowered morale among remaining staff. The study emphasizes the potential for substantial financial losses due to employee turnover. Further research by Wu & Shi (2014) expanded the understanding of turnover costs by introducing the concepts of "flow compensation" and "enterprise system guarantee." These factors highlight the hidden costs associated with employee turnover, such as the loss of organizational knowledge

and the disruption of established work processes. The authors argue that the departure of skilled employees can significantly impact a company's overall performance and competitiveness.

The concept of employee turnover itself has been defined in various ways. Mobley (1982) offers a narrow definition, focusing on the termination of organizational membership by an individual receiving material benefits from the organization. He suggests that voluntary turnover is primarily driven by job dissatisfaction. The broader concept of "resignation" encompasses various forms of employee departure, including voluntary turnover, involuntary turnover, and natural turnover. This study primarily focuses on voluntary turnover, which is influenced by both organizational and personal factors.

Research by Luo et al. (2012) identified key factors contributing to voluntary turnover among frontline employees in small and medium-sized enterprises. These factors include family considerations, salary and benefits, training and development opportunities, and working conditions. The study highlights the importance of addressing these factors to improve employee retention and organizational effectiveness.

#### 2.2.2 The Concept of Turnover Intention

While turnover intention and actual resignation are closely linked, they are not synonymous. Turnover intention represents the desire or willingness to leave, whereas resignation is the concrete act of leaving. This study focuses on turnover intention, recognizing its value as a predictor of actual turnover behavior. The concept of turnover intention has been defined in various ways. Early research by Porter et al. (1973) described it as employees' evasive and withdrawn behavior stemming from job dissatisfaction. Mobley (1977) viewed it as the psychological state of employees who contemplate leaving and explore alternative job opportunities. More recent perspectives, particularly in the Chinese context, emphasize the psychological tendency to leave after careful consideration, influenced by both subjective and objective factors (Lin, 2009; Zhang, 2018).

The literature also highlights the multi-faceted nature of turnover intention. It is influenced by various factors, including interpersonal relationships in the workplace (Currivan, 1999), job dissatisfaction (Price, 1999), and the perceived ability to find alternative employment (Mobley, 1978). The potential impact of turnover intention on organizational outcomes underscores its importance as a research focus.

The literature also highlights the multifaceted nature of turnover intention, which is influenced by a variety of factors, including interpersonal relationships in the workplace, job dissatisfaction, and the perceived ability to find alternative employment. For example, Currivan (1999) emphasized that turnover intention is significantly affected by interpersonal relationships at work. A positive relationship atmosphere between leaders and colleagues can enhance employee stability, while feelings of loneliness, helplessness, or a lack of support from leaders and peers can trigger a tendency to leave. Similarly, Price (1999) defines turnover intention as a form of withdrawal behavior that arises in response to psychological dissatisfaction. Mobley (1978) further posits that turnover intention reflects employees' psychological readiness to leave, emphasizing an attitude that falls under the category of voluntary departure and can effectively predict actual resignation behavior.

In summation, scholars have approached the concept of turnover intention from different angles, with some viewing it as a behavior and others as a psychological state. This study defines turnover intention as a series of thoughts and intentions that employees actively develop when they consider leaving the organization—a negative psychological state that, if strong enough, can lead to actual resignation. The degree of turnover intention is thus a significant predictor of subsequent turnover behavior.

Chinese scholars have also contributed to the understanding of turnover intention. For instance, Lin (2009) defines it as the psychological tendency of employees to leave their current jobs or organizations. Zhang (2018) further elaborates that turnover intention among enterprise employees represents their willingness to leave their current work unit after careful consideration and to seek new employment opportunities externally. Ding (2018), in a study focused on young

employees, found that turnover intention can significantly predict actual turnover behavior. Lin Lin (2018) examined the influence of employee relationships on turnover intention in small and medium-sized private enterprises, arguing that the factors affecting turnover intention are complex and dynamically evolving, though the consistent element is the need to analyze these factors from both individual and organizational perspectives.

In this study, turnover intention is defined as the series of thoughts and intentions that employees actively develop when they want to leave the organization. It is a negative psychological state that, if strong enough, can lead to actual resignation. The degree of turnover intention serves as a significant predictor of subsequent turnover behavior.

# 2.2.3 Employee Turnover Propensity Model

Based on an extensive review of the literature on turnover intentions, this study sorts out the representative turnover intentions. The model research results are as follows in Table 2.3:

Table 2.3 Research model of turnover intention

Model name	The main points
March& Simon Model (1958)	As the earliest resignation model, the construction of this model includes two pre-assumptions. One is to assume that employees' decision-making is not emotional, and the other is to assume that employees will consider the impact and feasibility of resignation, that is, resignation intention and resignation possibility. Sex co-determines the outcome of turnover behavior.
Price Model (1977)	Job satisfaction affects turnover behavior through external related variables, such as social responsibility, external new job opportunities, learning and training, etc. External new job opportunities play a role

Model name	The main points
	in regulating job satisfaction and turnover behavior.  This model designs a specific process from the decline of job
Mobley Model (1977)	satisfaction to the generation of resignation behavior: the decline of job satisfaction $\rightarrow$ the idea of resignation $\rightarrow$ the self-assessment of the possible benefits of changing jobs $\rightarrow$ the willingness to find a new job $\rightarrow$ the evaluation of new jobs Target position $\rightarrow$ compare the gap between the target position and the existing position $\rightarrow$ determine the willingness to leave $\rightarrow$ generate resignation behavior.
Steers& Mowday Model (1981)	The model considers that job expectations and values, subjective attitudes towards work (job satisfaction, organizational commitment, and job participation), turnover intention, and non-job factors determine employee turnover behavior, and points out that individual differences may have different change orders. When the employees' subjective attitude is low, they do not necessarily have a turnover intention; they may make some efforts to change the situation, and these efforts, in turn, affect employees' subjective attitudes.
Sheridan& Abelson Model (1983)	This model is analyzed from a nonlinear point of view, based on catastrophe theory, to explain and predict employee turnover behavior. If job satisfaction is above the threshold, the employee will try to maintain the current status, but once it falls below the lower threshold, the employee will tend to leave the job.
Lee& Mitchell Model	This model believes that multiple channels may cause employees' actual turnover behavior. It is also called the "expansion model," which is mainly composed of the "shock system." The "shock" is defined as "all external causes that affect the individual's work

Model name	The main points
(1994)	Subjective judgments about current employment status. " The model also identified four distinct pathways for turnover decisions.
Price- Muller Model (2000)	As a representative of the mainstream turnover model, the model considers that the turnover structure includes individual variables (job participation, general training, positive or negative affect), environmental variables (relative responsibilities and opportunities), structural variables (social support, salary, promotion opportunities, job autonomy, job stress, assignment equity) and process variables (job search, job intentions, organizational commitment, job satisfaction).

# 2.2.4 Influencing of Turnover Intention

The research on the factors influencing turnover intention provides many opportunities for management intervention in the decision-making of enterprises to retain employees, thus arousing the great research enthusiasm of scholars at home and abroad. Reducing employee turnover propensity provides valuable research findings. After extensive collection and collation, this study sorted out the research results of the influencing factors of turnover intention as follows in Table 2.4:

**Table 2.4 Research Results of Influencing Factors of Turnover Intention** 

Researcher	Influencing Factor
Pettman	Factors influencing turnover intention include work autonomy,
(1973)	work pressure, and workload.
77.00	External factors, individual characteristics (including personal
Zeffane	career planning, personality traits, emotional control, stress
(1994)	resistance, etc.), institutional factors (including labor protection
	conditions, salary and benefits, participation in organizational

Researcher	Influencing Factor
	decisions, and organizational supervision rights, etc.), Response to their work (such as job engagement, job satisfaction, job expectations, etc.).
Quarles (1994)	Individual-related factors, job-related factors, organizational commitment, and job satisfaction mainly have macro-levels (social, economic, political, etc.).
Zhen	Organizational level (organizational climate, organizational
Xinhong	commitment, organizational status) and individual level (job-
(2011)	related, psychological, and personal traits).
Ni Yuan (2017)	There are mainly organizational adaptability, personal competence, payback, job characteristics matching, achievement motivation satisfaction, external environmental pressure, and group interaction effects.
Zhao Kai	Enterprise factors, employee factors, environmental factors, and
(2018)	internal condition factors.
Yan Qi	Organizational factors, psychological factors, economic factors,
(2018)	personal factors, and work factors.

The tendency to leave is the behavior of employees who intend to leave the company for various reasons, and they want to put this idea into practice, which is the embodiment of employees' independent will. It is a process of transformation from attitude to behavior, and there is a specific time and psychological difference between the behavior of leaving the job. Any employee who tends to leave proves that this is the final stage when the employee wants to leave the original organization and try to find another way out for himself. It is also the stage that best predicts whether the turnover will occur. Voluntary employee departure will lead to low morale in the workforce, and daily production work cannot be completed smoothly, resulting in the

loss of human capital investment. Therefore, the voluntary departure of employees often becomes the focus of governance practitioners and theoretical researchers. The impact of the study on the tendency to leave is a research hot spot for many scholars at home and abroad, and this study synthesizes the opinions of many scholars. The factors that affect the tendency of employees to leave mainly include individual factors, employee attitudes and perceptions, political factors, and environmental factors.

#### 2.2.5 Review of Research on Turnover Intention

Based on the research mentioned above, turnover intention is pervasive at home and abroad, and its research is of great significance to enterprises. However, in comparison, foreign researchers believe that research on turnover intention is more valuable than research on turnover behavior, and related research on turnover intention is also more practical. The main reasons exist in the following aspects: First, compared with turnover intention, turnover behavior is unpredictable. Second, the complexity and diversity of turnover status. Third, the indicator of employee turnover tendency reflects the management level of the enterprise to some extent and demonstrates the management ability of the organizational managers. Fourth, turnover intention has a strong predictive effect on actual turnover behavior. Fifth, employee turnover behavior is influenced by the enterprise's and employees' internal factors and many macro-external factors such as politics, economy, culture, environment, etc. The research scope is broad and needs to be more manageable. This. This article not only explores employees' actual turnover behavior but also takes employees' turnover intention as the antecedent variable of the study. The occurrence of turnover intention can predict actual turnover behavior, not vice versa.

### 2.3 Organizational Identity Theories

#### **2.3.1 Social Identity Theory**

Organizational identity is a unique form of social identity. Gautam, Van Dick &Wagner (2004) help to understand organizational identity better; we can do a

brief review of social identity. According to Tajfel (1978), identity is the recognition by an individual that he belongs to a particular social group, the more an individual values his identity in the group, the harder he works to confirm and maintain his identity. It can be seen that the definition of identity contains an emotional component, which also coincides with the view of later researchers. Van Dick and Wagner added the dimension of "behavior" in 2002 to refer to the behavior patterns and predictable behavior of members participating in the organization.

Identity is the core of organizational cohesion, which distinguishes it from other organizations, and is the prerequisite for maintaining organizational sustainability. The identity of a society is shared by members and emphasizes the perceived similarity of members. Individuals divide their world into in-groups and out-groups, and they share the typical characteristics of the group to which they belong, thus weakening the concept of the individual.

Social identity and personal identity are interrelated, and the two identities sometimes conflict because the requirements of social identity may be contrary to the needs of the individual, and the individual must choose between the two identities. By balancing desires, individuals can reduce conflict, increase utility, and internalize their beliefs about society through the compromise of personal and social identity. If a person identifies with his or her group, he develops a sense of belonging and actively associates the goals and values of the group with the individual. Harquail & King (2007) point out, connects not only our brains and cognitions but also our hearts. Ashforth et al. (2008) Through social identification, individuals see themselves as closely connected to society, and this perception and influence further reinforce social identity.

#### 2.3.2 Conceptualizing Organizational Identity

Although domestic scholars have separately summarized Organizational Identification and Organizational Identity from Western studies, the existing domestic research has yet to provide a clear distinction between the two concepts. Li and Wang (2019) attempted to address this gap by collectively referring to these two concepts as

organizational identity. They proposed that "from a narrow perspective, in terms of the consistent tendency of organizational members toward the organization, organizational identity is essentially the sense of identification with the organization." This perspective has laid the groundwork for further exploration into the nuances of organizational identity within the Chinese context.

The definition of a conceptual variable determines its structure, which subsequently guides the measurement methods used. Many scholars have defined organizational identity in ways that inherently determine its structural components. Thus, examining each scholar's definition of group identity, along with their varying views on its dimensions, is crucial for understanding the diverse perspectives in this field.

Scholars define organizational identity from different perspectives, depending on the focus of their research questions. The most systematic and mature views on organizational identity research originate from Ashforth and Mael (1989), who were pioneers in systematically introducing Social Identity Theory and Self-Categorization Theory into organizational psychology to explain members' organizational behavior. Ashforth et al. (2018) updated their views, emphasizing that organizational identity is a special form of social identity, wherein employees perceive a consistency with the organization. According to them, organizational identity is a single-dimensional variable, containing only cognitive components, while emotional and behavioral components are considered outcomes of organizational identification. They further posited that when individuals perceive themselves as belonging to a specific group, they tend to identify with that group.

Many scholars argue that organizational identity is a dynamic process that connects individuals and organizations. Zhang et al. (2020) argue that organizational identity emerges from the interaction of several interrelated phenomena, mainly including three aspects:

(1) Similarity: The perceived common goals and interests with other members of the organization.;

- (2) Membership Relationship: The degree to which an individual's self-concept is connected to the organization;
  - (3) Loyalty: The individual's support and protection of the organization.

This definition effectively divides organizational identity into several dimensions, providing a valuable reference framework for subsequent measurement.

Albert and Whetten (1985) initially defined organizational identity as the core, unique, and enduring characteristics of an organization or the qualities that members believe define their organization. More recent studies, such as those by Chen et al. (2021), have expanded on this definition, suggesting that members perceive their organization as "unique" based on comparisons with other organizations and that the "enduring" characteristics of an organization are influenced by members' selective perception and interpretation, which evolve over time with their organizational experiences.

Similarly, Dutton et al. (2020) aligned their views with the concept of individual self-concept in Social Identity Theory, positing that organizational identity is the psychological sense of belonging that members feel when they use the organization's characteristics to define their own. O'Reilly and Chatman (2021) also approached organizational identity from the perspective of self-concept, suggesting that it represents an individual's desire to maintain a satisfactory self-definition relationship with the organization. These perspectives highlight the broad recognition of Social Identity Theory as a foundation for understanding organizational identity.

Wang and Liu (2020), drawing on Alderfer's (1969) ERG Theory, divided organizational identity into three dimensions: Existential Organizational Identity, Attributable Organizational Identity, and Successful Organizational Identity. These dimensions refer to identity psychology but differ in purpose: existential organizational identity pertains to the belief that one's survival depends on the material support provided by the organization; attributable identity involves the desire for membership in the organization; and successful organizational identity relates to the pursuit of self-development within the organization, where members see alignment between their personal goals and the organization's objectives. Although

this structural division offers a comprehensive framework for measuring organizational identity, some scholars argue that the theoretical basis for this division lacks empirical confirmation and may not fully capture the complexity of human needs. Moreover, the empirical research conducted by Wang and Liu primarily involved state-owned enterprises, raising concerns about the generalizability of these findings across different types of organizations in China.

Based on recent studies, the definition of organizational identity can be categorized as follows:

One-dimensional: Some scholars view organizational identity as a single-dimensional construct that encompasses only cognitive components, such as the perception of value consistency between oneself and the organization or a sense of belonging (Ashforth et al., 2018). This approach focuses on how members' perceptions merge with their self-definition.

Two-dimensional: O'Reilly and Chatman (2021) recognized the dual characteristics of organizational identity, incorporating both emotional and cognitive aspects. They proposed that organizational identity involves an individual's desire to maintain a satisfactory self-definition relationship with the organization.

Three-dimensional: Organizational identity is also conceptualized as involving cognition, emotion, and evaluation. For instance, Wang and Liu (2020) identified three dimensions: Survival Organizational Identification, Attributable Organizational Identification, and Successful Organizational Identification. Zhao et al. (2019) further summarized previous studies into cognitive, emotional, and behavioral dimensions.

Four-dimensional: Building on the three-dimensional approach, some scholars advocate for a broader definition of organizational identity, which includes cognitive, emotional, evaluation, and behavioral dimensions (Van Dick & Wagner, 2020).

#### 2.3.3 Factors Influencing Organizational Identity

Research has examined antecedents of organizational identification at the individual, managerial, and environmental levels.

At the individual level, factors such as job satisfaction, tenure, personality traits, interpersonal relationships, and perceptions of fairness have positively affected organizational identification. Studies by Mael & Ashforth (1992) have emphasized the role of job satisfaction and tenure, while Burke & Reitzes (1991) highlighted the impact of personality traits. Sluss (2008) and Lipponen (2005) have further expanded this understanding by demonstrating the influence of interpersonal relationships and perceived fairness on organizational identification. These individual characteristics and experiences significantly shape how employees relate to and identify with their organization.

Organizationally, aspects such as organizational culture, leadership style, leader-member exchange relationships, and HR practices are crucial. Ling (2008) found that supportive and innovative cultures boost organizational identification, while Song (2013) observed the impact of leadership style. As studied by Qin (2010), the leader-member exchange relationships and the role of HR practices, as identified by Li & Wei (2011), further elucidate the organizational factors contributing to employee identification.

Externally, factors such as organizational image and reputation, competition, and overall compensation also shape organizational identification. Dukerich & Ammeter (2002) discussed how organizational image and reputation influence identification. Research by Li (2010) on inter-organizational competition and Yang (2015) on compensation perspectives provide insights into how external environmental factors impact employee identification with their organization.

This multi-level exploration indicates that organizational identification is a complex phenomenon influenced by a variety of factors at the individual, managerial, and external environmental levels. Understanding these influences is crucial for comprehending the dynamics of organizational identification and its impact on various organizational outcomes, including turnover. The synthesis of literature across these levels provides a comprehensive framework for examining the factors shaping organizational identification. It lays the groundwork for future research to delve deeper into these intricate social identity processes within organizations.

# 2.3.4 Results of Organizational Identification

Organizational identification significantly impacts employee psychology and behavior, influencing cooperation, job satisfaction, self-esteem, turnover rates, work effectiveness, leadership effectiveness, and organizational citizenship behaviors.

Shen (2009) highlight that a strong sense of organizational identification can mitigate work burnout and enhance employee engagement. Employees deeply connected with their organization are more likely to be energetic and committed to their work studies by Bagozzi & Massimo (2000) and Christ, Dick, & Wagner (2003) demonstrate that employees with a high level of organizational identification exhibit more substantial organizational commitment and are more inclined to participate in organizational citizenship behaviors. This indicates that employees who resonate with their organization's values and objectives are more likely to go above and beyond their job requirements. Additionally, Tang (2009) and Kumar (2012) show that organizational identification correlates positively with job satisfaction and negatively with turnover intentions. Employees who feel a strong sense of belonging are generally more satisfied with their job and less likely to leave the organization. Moreover, Hu (2007) and Kane (2012) suggest that employees with high organizational identification contribute more effectively to their roles and are more engaged in teamwork. This enhanced involvement leads to better overall performance and cooperative team dynamics.

Overall, organizational identification plays a pivotal role in influencing various aspects of employee behavior and psychology, directly affecting their contribution to and perception of the organization. Employees who strongly identify with their organization are more engaged, committed, and practical, benefiting themselves and the organization.

## 2.3.5 Organizational Change and Identity

The interplay between organizational identity and employee turnover intention has garnered significant attention in organizational behavior research. Zhang and Liu's (2016) meta-analysis underscores a substantial negative correlation between these

variables. They found that a robust organizational identity strengthens the connection between individuals and their organization, motivating them to align their efforts with organizational objectives. This alignment manifests in increased organizational citizenship behavior and heightened job satisfaction.

As the study suggests, organizational identity forms through a process of social classification that leads to self-satisfaction, the development of self-concept, a sense of belonging, and improved self-esteem. When an organization falls short in meeting its members' needs for belonging and self-esteem, identification with the organization diminishes, potentially leading to increased turnover. Conversely, high levels of organizational identification tend to make employees more inclined to prioritize organizational interests over personal gains, consequently reducing turnover intentions (Kane, 2012).

Although much existing research on organizational identity has focused on its role as a mediator between various factors or its direct impact on dependent variables, its function as an independent variable has yet to be explored. Moreover, studies linking organizational identity with commitment to change are relatively scarce. There is also a need to investigate the potential adverse effects of organizational identity on change-oriented behaviors. Thus, unraveling the mechanisms by which organizational identity impacts proactive change behaviors remains a promising direction for future research, opening avenues for a more nuanced understanding of its role in organizational dynamics.

## 2.3.6 Organizational Identity and Turnover Intention

The relationship between organizational identity and turnover intention has been a focal point in contemporary organizational studies. Zhang and Liu (2016) conducted a meta-analysis on this subject, revealing a significant negative correlation between these two factors. They observed that a strong sense of organizational identity fosters a close connection with the organization, enhancing motivation to meet organizational needs. This heightened commitment positively influences organizational citizenship behavior and job satisfaction.

The study proposes that organizational identity develops through social classification, leading to self-satisfaction, self-concept formation, a sense of belonging, and enhanced self-esteem. When individuals do not derive expected benefits from their group, they may take steps to alter their circumstances, potentially reducing their sense of organizational identity and increasing turnover rates. However, when the organization fails to fulfill desires for belongingness and self-esteem, identification decreases, precipitating turnover (Zhang & Liu, 2016). Additional studies reveal that high identification leads employees to prioritize organizational needs over self-interest, obey the organization, and reduce turnover (Kane, 2012). Overall, empirical evidence consistently shows greater identification predicts lower voluntary turnover.

Historically, research on organizational identity primarily positioned it as a mediating variable in the relationship between other variables or studied its direct impact on dependent variables. However, fewer studies have considered organizational identity as an independent variable or explored its relationship with change commitment. Additionally, the potential negative impacts of organizational identity on change-oriented behaviors warrant further investigation. Therefore, the mechanisms through which organizational identity influences proactive change behaviors remain an area ripe for additional research.

### 2.4 Communication Satisfaction Theory

#### 2.4.1 Defining Communication Satisfaction

Over nearly five decades, the concept of communication satisfaction has evolved significantly, leading to a rich yet varied understanding among scholars. Thayer (1968) initially introduced the concept, emphasizing the positive emotions that arise from successful communication experiences. This early definition laid the groundwork for future explorations into the nuances of communication satisfaction. Building on this foundation, Downs and Hazen (1977) offered a multidimensional perspective that broadened the evaluation of organizational communication processes. Their seminal work examines various facets of communication within organizations,

such as clarity, timeliness, and relevance, providing a comprehensive understanding of what constitutes communication satisfaction.

In the context of Chinese academia, Li (2019) explored communication satisfaction as the favorable perceptions team members hold regarding their information exchange processes. This approach highlighted the relational aspect of communication within teams. Wang et al. (2021) further expanded on this by defining communication satisfaction as the psychological response of employees to the overall communication environment within their organization. This perspective underscores the emotional and psychological impact that communication has on employees. Integrating these diverse viewpoints, Zhang and Liu (2020) described communication satisfaction as the aggregate of positive experiences and feelings that members have about communication within their organization, emphasizing the cumulative effect of various communication interactions and experiences on overall satisfaction.

In this study, the conceptualization of communication satisfaction follows Downs and Hazen's (1977) framework due to its extensive empirical support and comprehensive nature. Their model perceives communication satisfaction as the overall level of contentment employees experience concerning the efficacy, accuracy, and timeliness of organizational communication. This definition serves as a robust basis for exploring how communication affects key organizational outcomes such as employee engagement, satisfaction, and turnover intentions. It offers a lens through which the complex interplay of communication dynamics within organizations can be understood and analyzed, making it particularly relevant for this research.

# 2.4.2 Measuring Communication Satisfaction

Early research initially viewed communication satisfaction as a unidimensional construct assessed via intuitive perceptions (Redding, 1971). However, scholars soon recognized that measuring satisfaction as a single factor had limited utility, prompting the emergence of multidimensional approaches to capture its nuances.

Redding (1971) was among the first to propose that communication satisfaction comprises multiple measurable dimensions with significant organizational impacts. Roberts (2018), building on this foundation, delineated 12 dimensions, including trust, supervisor influence, and information accuracy, measured using a 35-item scale. Downs and Hazen (1977) developed the widely used Communication Satisfaction Questionnaire (CSQ), which includes eight dimensions: organizational information, personal feedback, integration, peer communication, media quality, supervisor communication, subordinate communication, and climate. Their factor analysis revealed consistent but distinct dimensions across organizational contexts, indicating the dynamic and situation-dependent nature of communication satisfaction.

The CSQ has demonstrated robust psychometric properties and has been widely utilized to assess communication satisfaction's nomological network and outcomes (Downs & Hazen, 1977; Liu & Zhao, 2020). Multidimensional approaches recognize that satisfaction is a complex perceptual construct shaped by individual, relational, cultural, and contextual factors. As such, careful scale selection and validation are essential to reliably capture the key dimensions of communication satisfaction.

#### 2.4.3 Antecedents and Outcomes of Communication Satisfaction

Extensive research has examined the antecedents and outcomes of communication satisfaction in organizational contexts. Individual factors, including demographics and dispositions, have been linked to communication satisfaction levels. Penley and Hawkins (1985) found that gender can predict satisfaction, while Richmond and McCroskey (2019) showed that innovation orientation and communication apprehension also play significant roles. Focusing on organizational hierarchy, Yan and Chen (2020) found that middle managers in China reported higher satisfaction than lower-level employees. Moreover, education level has been correlated with satisfaction, with higher degrees associated with greater communication satisfaction (Yan & Chen, 2020).

Organizational relationships and dynamics are also key drivers of communication satisfaction. Richmond et al. (2020) demonstrated that a manager's communication style significantly impacts satisfaction, with subordinate-centered approaches improving satisfaction. Similarly, senior leader communication is influential, as open and engaging styles enhance satisfaction (Buch & Goodman, 2020). Within dyadic relationships, high-quality leader-member exchanges predict greater satisfaction (Zhang & Wang, 2019). Additionally, coworker communication may also be an important correlate (Mueller & Lee, 2019).

In terms of outcomes, higher communication satisfaction has been widely linked to increased job performance and productivity based on surveys of managers and employees (Lull et al., 2021; Wang & Zhang, 2020). By enhancing organizational commitment and loyalty, satisfaction indirectly contributes to performance by fostering citizenship behaviors and reducing turnover (Kandelousi, 2021). Pincus (2019) found that satisfaction in the dimensions of information, relationships, and information flow reduced nurses' intentions to quit.

The most extensively studied outcome is the strong association between communication satisfaction and job satisfaction across industrial and cultural contexts (Downs & Hazen, 1977; Varona, 2019; Liu & Zhao, 2020). Leaders who foster transparent, engaging communication create positive, trusting climates where employees feel informed, valued, and involved, thereby improving satisfaction and retention.

Regarding actual turnover behavior, Gregson et al. (2019) demonstrated clear linkages between communication satisfaction and voluntary turnover rates among accountants. In China, Yan and Yao (2021) revealed negative relationships between satisfaction and turnover intention, with these effects explained by work attitudes like emotional exhaustion.

Overall, communication satisfaction has well-established empirical relationships with individual traits, organizational relationships, work performance, citizenship behaviors, job satisfaction, commitment, and turnover. This rich body of literature provides a strong foundation for investigating satisfaction as an important

driver of employee retention across cultural and industrial settings. It also suggests opportunities to expand inquiry into newly emerging variables and contexts.

### 2.5 High-Tech Industry in the Era of Globalization

Economic globalization has made the high-tech industry crucial for innovation, competitiveness, and high value-added growth (Zhang, Fan & Ji, 2013). High tech is pivotal for developing countries like China to upgrade their economic structures and escape the "middle-income trap" (Zhang, 2013). This strategic importance makes talent retention in high-tech a priority. The global competition for technological superiority further emphasizes the strategic importance of high-tech industries in gaining leverage across national domains.

In industrial transformation, high-tech industries play a critical role in economic development. As these industries continue to innovate, internal changes can lead to employee turnover, a phenomenon that has not been widely addressed. Systematic technology in high-tech industries tends to stabilize, leading to more consistent personnel training and professional development. However, employees may face challenges in finding better employment opportunities, testing their initial ambitions, and potentially leading to significant changes in the future.

Research indicates that transformational leadership positively influences employee retention in the high-tech sector. Transformational leadership, characterized by motivating employees towards innovation and continuous learning, has significantly improved employee retention intentions. Studies by Xu, Zhang, and Ye (2018), Zhang, Wang, and Fan (2019), and Duan, Li, and Qu (2020) have empirically demonstrated the efficacy of transformational leadership in reducing employee turnover in high-tech companies. However, outdated leadership approaches can also yield negative impacts.

The high-tech industry's rapid development often leads to employee turnover due to personal career planning, compensation, work content, and the work environment. Enterprises need to balance applying transformational leadership with maintaining employee stability and loyalty. Research shows that more vital

transformational leadership can correlate with higher employee turnover intentions, influenced by individual factors such as age, gender, marital status, and job role. Enterprises must consider these factors in recruitment and selection processes to minimize turnover intentions. As Mitchell (2001) highlighted, employee turnover incurs significant costs for businesses, including new staff recruitment and training, opportunity costs, and termination management expenses. The study of turnover intentions in high-tech industries from the perspective of transformational leadership is crucial due to this sector's unique challenges and dynamics. The high turnover rate in high-tech industries can be attributed to a range of factors specific to the region, company, leadership style, and industry sub-sector, underscoring the need for a nuanced understanding of these dynamics. While evidence shows transformational leadership's positive effects, balancing change with continuity and considering individual differences is crucial to leveraging its potential. A careful review of empirical findings reveals opportunities to advance a nuanced understanding of how leadership style interacts with other factors to influence retention in dynamic hightech contexts.

#### 2.5.1 International Definition of High-Tech Industry

The high-tech industry, emerging from advanced technology and knowledge innovation, diverges from traditional industries by primarily relying on the input of novel technologies rather than conventional production factors like labor and capital. Due to diverse interpretations of high-tech concepts, academic definitions of high-tech industries vary. The genesis of high-tech industrial parks traces back to Silicon Valley in the United States during the 1950s. As a pioneering model for global high-tech parks, Silicon Valley has garnered scholarly attention for its developmental impacts. The United States introduced the high-tech concept in 1971, with the American Academy of Sciences defining it in "Technology and International Trade" as top-tier technology yielding substantial economic benefits.

Manuel Castells (1994), in his study of iconic industrial parks like Silicon Valley, Highway Industrial Park, and Tsukuba Science City, posited that high-tech advancements are reshaping global order. Quince S. elaborated on the development of

Cambridge Science Park, an early high-tech park from a renowned university, highlighting its significance in university-industrial park collaboration models. Kent (1982) identified high-tech park influencing factors, proposing 12 determinants spanning from capital injection to environmental considerations. Through global high-tech zone assessments, Massey D., (1988) viewed these zones as vital for city and regional prosperity, offering developmental suggestions from technological, societal, and spatial perspectives. Malecki, (2013) found that factors like local government policy support, enterprise research capabilities, and quality talent significantly influence high-tech zone vitality, suggesting spatial planning considerations for these zones. Hudalah, (2019), examining Cikarang Industrial Park, analyzed the role of developer-government network construction in addressing spatial and infrastructural challenges, offering solutions for industrial park spatial planning.

Nelson (1993) characterized high-tech industries as heavily investing in R&D and marked by rapid technological advancement. In France, high-tech industries are knowledge-intensive sectors focusing on new product development. The UK's high-tech industry encompasses cutting-edge sectors like information technology and biotechnology. Japan defines its high-tech industry as a cluster of technological sectors based on contemporary and future science and technology. Hu (2000) described Australia's high-tech industry as a sector where scientific or technical enterprises heavily invest in R&D for new product development.

In 1985, the US Department of Commerce's "High-tech Trade and Competitiveness in the United States" began classifying high-tech industries based on criteria like R&D expenditure, product sales ratios, and employee technical activities. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics defines high-tech industries considering skilled worker proportions and R&D expenditures relative to industry averages. According to Douglass (2008), U.S. high-tech industries employ advanced science and engineering in production and services, while Japan and the UK focus on modern and future science and technology clusters as their high-tech industry benchmarks.

#### 2.5.2 Domestic Definition of High-tech Industries

In the Chinese context, high-tech industries encompass a range of enterprises deeply rooted in advanced technology. They are dedicated to research, development, production, and technical services of high and new technologies and their products. These industries are characterized by their knowledge intensity, technological sophistication, substantial economic and social benefits, and significant role in reflecting a country's comprehensive strength and competitiveness.

Since the 1970s, high-tech industries, including electronic information, biology, new materials, aerospace, and new energy, have witnessed rapid growth. These industries are anticipated to continue to expand in the new century, with profound economic and strategic impacts globally. Recognizing the importance of high-tech development, countries have acknowledged it as a strategic priority for the 21st century. The OECD, in 2001, categorized high-tech industries into five classes: pharmaceutical manufacturing, aerospace manufacturing, electronic and communication equipment manufacturing, computer and office equipment manufacturing, and medical equipment and instrumentation manufacturing. This classification is widely accepted and used internationally.

In the Chinese academic sphere, high-tech industries are often equated with high-technology sectors. However, a distinction is made in the emphasis on 'new' technology. High-tech industry is a term specific to China that aligns with the international concept of high-tech industry. Wang and Hu (2002) and Qin (2003) have described high-tech industries as being fundamentally linked to knowledge, technology, capital, and innovation. Wang (2009) emphasized that these industries are driven by technological innovation, occupying high-value links in the technological innovation value chain.

Defining high-tech industry from an industrial economics perspective encompasses enterprises involved in the research, development, production, promotion, and application of high-tech and related products. Despite a lack of consensus on the definition among Chinese academics, this study follows a narrower concept of high-tech, drawing on definitions from the Economic Cooperation Organization and numerous domestic scholars, as well as official sources like the

National Bureau of Statistics' Classification of High-tech Industries Manufacturing (2017) and China Torch Statistical Yearbook. High-tech industries are distinguished by their knowledge and technology intensity, substantial investment, high risk, high profitability, innovation, and growth. They rely on cutting-edge technology, necessitating significant knowledge, talent, and financial investment. Despite the high risks associated with pioneering research and development, high-tech industries offer higher added value and potentially monopolistic market positions.

On November 9, 2022, China's Ministry of Science and Technology released the "14th Five-Year Plan for the Development of National High-tech Industrial Development Zones." The Plan sets ambitious goals for expanding the coverage of high-tech zones, enhancing independent innovation capabilities, improving institutional mechanisms, and significantly advancing innovation and entrepreneurship environments. This initiative underlines the Chinese government's commitment to fostering high-tech industries as critical economic and social development drivers.

## 2.5.3 Impact of High-Tech Industries on Economic Growth

The burgeoning high-tech industries are pivotal to scientific and technological revolutions and high-quality development. Despite economic shifts, these industries have demonstrated resilience and growth, owing to initiatives like Beijing's "Made in China 2025" program. With its \$300 billion allocation for loans, research grants, and governmental support, this program aims to boost emerging industries, emphasizing the critical role of high-tech talents. The 2025 vision underscores a preference for quality over quantity, prioritizing green development, talent cultivation, and innovation-driven manufacturing.

The growth trajectory of the high-tech industry correlates with an increasing demand for skilled talent. Effective talent development necessitates an environment conducive to growth, supported by equitable talent selection systems and ongoing education initiatives. Comprehensive training programs are essential for enhancing talent capabilities. Establishing innovative incentive mechanisms tailored to talent

needs is crucial for retaining top talent, thus providing a robust talent pool for high-tech industry development.

Furthermore, the clustering and regionalization of high-tech industries contribute to new economic growth points, industrial structure optimization, and the establishment of high-tech enterprises. These developments enhance technological innovation and market competitiveness and facilitate economic globalization. They support the balanced growth of the economy, society, and resources, marking a transition from extensive to intensive economic growth models.

Organizational adaptation to changing internal and external environments, including political, economic, and cultural shifts, is essential for enterprise development. Three key objectives guide organizational change: addressing hindrances to development, adapting to environmental shifts, and enhancing organizational efficiency. In economic globalization, businesses face unpredictable external pressures, necessitating internal adjustments to maintain market relevance and competitive edge.

Implementing organizational changes and strategic human resource management is imperative for adapting to environmental shifts and improving enterprise competitiveness. Organizational change encompasses technological, personnel, cultural, product, service, and strategic structural modifications. These changes, primarily influenced by internal factors, require enterprises to respond adaptively, enhancing competitiveness through effective internal element mediation.

Talent competition is a significant aspect of market competitiveness in the knowledge economy era. The success of organizational change hinges on employee participation, necessitating strategic human resource management and a comprehensive human resource system. This approach ensures employee behavior alignment with organizational goals, facilitating effective organizational change.

## 2.6 Research Status of the Relationship between Variables

#### 2.6.1 Interrelationships of Variables: Current Research

The impact of leadership on employee turnover intention has been a focal point in organizational studies, with transformational leadership particularly highlighted for its potential influence on employee attitudes and organizational commitment. A review of recent literature reveals a significant link between transformational leadership and employee turnover intention. Carter et al. (2020) identified a strong correlation between leadership style and employee turnover intention, confirming that transformational leadership positively influences employee turnover intention more effectively than transactional leadership. Similarly, Gyensare et al. (2017) found that transformational leadership positively impacts employee turnover intention in large public sector organizations. However, some studies suggest that this relationship is not always significant. For instance, Long et al. (2018) observed a negative but not significant correlation between transformational leadership and employee turnover intention in a Malaysian community college setting.

Recent domestic research echoes these findings, consistently indicating a significant relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention. Zhang et al. (2019) demonstrated that transformational leaders enhance organizational commitment and reduce turnover intention by fostering trust through mutually beneficial organizational-employee relationships. Ren (2020)found that transformational leadership in banks decreases employee turnover intention by bolstering organizational commitment. Chen and Zhang (2020) identified that transformational leadership negatively influences employee turnover intention, with organizational commitment serving as a mediating factor. Wang et al. (2021) highlighted the negative impact of transformational leadership on turnover intention, moderated by organizational support. Cheng and Bai (2020) noted that higher-level transformational leadership mediates employee job satisfaction and identification, thereby reducing turnover intention. Zhang et al. (2021) focused on new-generation employees, finding that transformational leadership significantly reduces turnover intention either directly or indirectly, with psychological empowerment playing a mediating role. Lastly, Zhang (2022) affirmed a significant negative correlation between transformational leadership and turnover intention among new-generation employees, where psychological capital mediates this relationship. While most studies establish a significant negative relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention, the strength and significance of this relationship can vary based on context and demographics. These insights highlight the importance of leadership style in shaping organizational dynamics and employee retention strategies.

# 2.6.2 Relationship between Transformational Leadership and Communication Satisfaction

Exploring the interplay between transformational leadership and communication satisfaction reveals significant insights into organizational effectiveness. Research in this domain has primarily focused on the determinants of communication satisfaction and its correlation with other organizational variables. For instance, a recent survey of top leaders in U.S. organizations by Smith et al. (2020) uncovered a strong positive link between communication satisfaction and productivity, underscoring the importance of effective communication in enhancing organizational performance.

However, studies specifically examining the relationship between transformational leadership and communication satisfaction remain relatively sparse. Gao et al. (2019) explored how leadership-member exchange quality influences employees' perceived communication satisfaction across various organizational contexts, including individual, team, and organizational levels. Their findings indicate a significant correlation between leadership behavior and subordinate communication satisfaction in these diverse settings.

In a study by Chen (2019) at Southwest Transportation University, a survey of grassroots employees in a public sector organization demonstrated a positive relationship between leadership behavior and all dimensions of organizational communication satisfaction. Notably, the strongest correlation was found between parallel communication and direct leadership communication. Furthermore, the study highlighted the predictive power of the caring aspect of leadership behavior on communication satisfaction. Yan (2020) conducted a comparative survey in Chinese and German enterprises, examining the cultural differences in leadership styles and

their impact on subordinates' communication satisfaction and job satisfaction. This study also emphasized the importance of effective cross-cultural training for managers to bridge these differences. Chen et al. (2021) furthered this line of inquiry with an empirical study on the impact of different leadership behaviors on organizational innovation. They discovered that transformational leadership, by fostering a positive communication environment, has a stronger overall impact on organizational innovation compared to transactional leadership, particularly when considering both direct and overall effects.

These studies collectively indicate that transformational leadership is intricately linked to communication satisfaction within organizations. By actively creating conducive communication environments, transformational leaders can significantly enhance organizational effectiveness and innovation, highlighting the pivotal role of communication in leadership effectiveness.

# 2.6.3 Relationship between Communication Satisfaction and Employee Turnover Intention

Research on the relationship between communication satisfaction and turnover intention has been somewhat limited but has gained momentum in recent years. Jablin (1987) was one of the early researchers to suggest that effective communication and positive interactions between superiors and subordinates could predict subordinates' turnover intentions. Subsequent empirical studies, such as those by Allen (2019), further elucidated that the communication relationship between employees and superiors could exert a multifaceted impact on employees' turnover intentions.

Further evidence suggests that among the various dimensions of communication satisfaction, relationships with superiors and peers are most influential in determining employee turnover intentions. In China, research in this area is still emerging. Yan (2020) conducted a comprehensive survey across different worker categories and found a highly significant negative correlation between communication satisfaction and turnover intention. This study also pointed out the positive impact of communication satisfaction on output variables, including increased work motivation, efficiency, responsibility, and reduced turnover rates.

Liu et al. (2021) examined the effect of demographic variables on communication satisfaction, turnover intention, and job performance, also exploring the mediating role of organizational commitment. Their findings indicated that communication satisfaction significantly reduces turnover intentions, with organizational commitment fully mediating this relationship. The study also found a positive correlation between communication satisfaction and job performance, with demographic variables showing significant impact on certain research variables. Yu (2021) conducted empirical research in a large private enterprise, confirming a significant negative correlation between internal communication satisfaction and employee turnover intention. Liu (2022) categorized the dimensions of communication satisfaction into information, relationship, and information-relationship dimensions. The study concluded that the information and relationship dimensions of communication satisfaction are positively correlated with turnover intention, while the information-relationship dimension negatively correlates with turnover intention.

These studies underscore the critical role of communication satisfaction in influencing employee turnover intentions. They collectively suggest that fostering a positive communication environment can significantly mitigate the risk of employee turnover, highlighting the need for organizations to prioritize effective communication strategies.

#### 2.7 Related Research

Transformational leadership theory, particularly within the Chinese context, has attracted significant scholarly attention due to its relevance in addressing the unique cultural and organizational challenges prevalent in China. The journey of adapting and applying transformational leadership theory in China has been marked by several insightful studies, each contributing to a nuanced understanding of its dimensions and impact.

The seminal work by Li and Shi (2017) laid the groundwork by empirically identifying key factors of transformational leadership in the Chinese corporate

landscape. Their study, involving in-depth interviews and surveys with employees from various Chinese companies, highlighted four principal dimensions: vision inspiration, leadership charisma, virtue modeling, and individualized consideration. Notably, their findings aligned with Western theories of transformational leadership but also introduced 'virtue modeling' as a unique factor, underscoring the influence of Chinese cultural values on leadership styles.

Building on this foundation, Hu (2019) expanded the scope of research by tailoring a transformational leadership model specifically for the academic sector. His study, based on data from teachers across multiple universities, proposed a five-dimensional model that included unique aspects such as unity and collaboration and caring inspiration. These factors reflect the collectivist and paternalistic values ingrained in Chinese culture and highlight the adaptability of transformational leadership across different contexts.

Liu and Huang (2020) further contributed to this body of research by proposing a five-dimensional model based on an extensive review of existing literature. Their model, encompassing goal sharing, talent stimulation, moral conduct, emotional care, and personality promotion, emphasized the collective mission and paternalistic leadership aspects typical in the Chinese cultural context.

Chen and Xie (2021) validated the applicability of transformational leadership in China through empirical research. Their study, which surveyed a significant number of supervisors and subordinates, reinforced the importance of moral conduct and vision inspiration as integral components of transformational leadership in China.

More recently, Chen and Shi (2022) explored the relationship between transformational leadership and employee outcomes. Their study, utilizing data from numerous supervisor-subordinate dyads, established that psychological empowerment, organizational identification, and vision communication are key mechanisms through which transformational leadership impacts employee performance and innovation. This research provided deeper insights into how transformational leadership functions within Chinese organizations.

These studies collectively highlight the adaptability and relevance of transformational leadership theory in the Chinese context. They emphasize the importance of integrating cultural values such as collectivism, paternalism, and moral conduct into leadership models. The consistent emphasis on vision inspiration, virtue modeling, and individualized consideration across these studies demonstrates the compatibility of transformational leadership with Chinese cultural and organizational norms, offering valuable insights for leaders and practitioners in China.

#### 2.8 Conceptual Framework, Variable Definitions, and Hypothesis Development

## 2.8.1 Conceptual Framework

According to the research model proposed in this study, the variables involved include independent variables, mediating variables, and dependent variables:

Independent Variable: The independent variable in this study is transformational leadership, specifically its impact on employee turnover intention. This variable will be measured through its four dimensions: vision inspiration, leadership charisma, virtue modeling, and individualized consideration.

Mediating Variable: The mediating variable examined in this study is organizational identification. It is hypothesized that transformational leadership influences employee turnover intention indirectly through its impact on organizational identification.

Dependent Variable: The dependent variable in this study is employee turnover intention. The research aims to explore how transformational leadership affects employee turnover intention, providing suggestions for human resource management and organizational change strategies in enterprises.

This study primarily investigates the communication satisfaction of high-tech industry employees under the influence of transformational leadership, the impact of organizational identification on employees' turnover intention in different situations, and the interrelationships among these variables. Through extensive literature review

and empirical analysis, the study hypothesizes that transformational leadership has a direct or indirect relationship with employee turnover intention.

Based on similar research findings both domestically and internationally, and considering the specific context of Chinese organizations, the theoretical hypotheses of this study are formulated as follows:

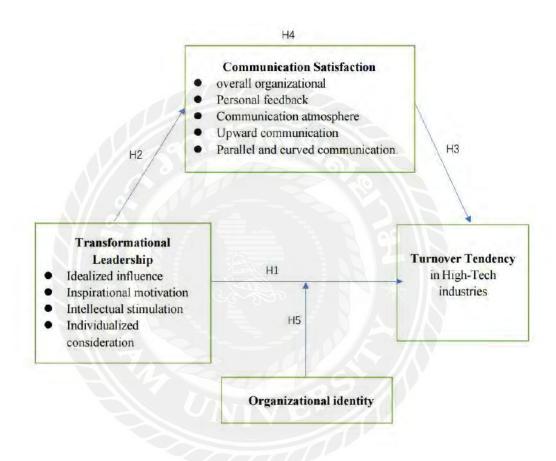


Figure 2.1 The Hypothetical Relationship Framework

#### 2.8.2 Operational Definition

In a study examining the impact of transformational leadership on employee turnover, the operational definition of 'transformational leadership' would specify the exact behaviors, attitudes, or responses that constitute this style of leadership as per the researcher's framework. It might involve a specific scale or set of questions used to measure leadership style, with clearly defined scoring criteria. Similarly, 'employee turnover' would be operationally defined in terms of how it's measured — perhaps

through the number of employees leaving within a certain period or through selfreported intention to leave.

## 2.8.3 Hypothesis and Explanation of Hypothesis

# 2.8.3.1 Hypothesis of Transformational leadership and employee turnover Intention

Leaders provide employees with vision incentives, care, and encouragement, and work feedback to build a good leadership-employee relationship. The overall cultural level of high-tech industry employees is high, and their demand level is also high. While emphasizing material rewards, they also pay more attention to fairness, respect, and the realization of self-worth. According to the principle of reciprocity, the needs of high-tech industry employees are met, their work enthusiasm is stimulated, their satisfaction is enhanced, and they will consciously increase their work engagement and maintain a stable state of willingness to stay in the organization. In this way, the balance and continuity of exchange relationships are achieved, to repay leaders and the organization. The essence of transformational leadership is a leadership style that promotes effective exchange between leaders and employees. Transformational leadership understands employees' personal needs, emphasizes fairness, pays attention to employee development, and provides support and personalized care. It sets clear work goals for subordinates and provides a clear organizational vision, encouraging employees to make every effort to achieve organizational goals to meet their self-worth needs. It can be said that transformational leadership strives to maintain a balance between organizational and personal development, as well as maintain good relationships among leadership members. High-tech industry employees with high work intensity and innovative requirements will pay more attention to whether the internal traits and management methods of leaders are worthy of their trust and follow. Therefore, it is inferred that transformational leaders can have the work enthusiasm and creativity of high-tech industry employees, allowing them to experience the pleasure and sense of achievement brought by work, and effectively reducing the turnover tendency of hightech industry employees.

Firstly, the moral qualities of a transformational leader who values the overall situation and is impartial and selfless can generate recognition and trust among employees in the high-tech industry towards the leader. The high-tech industry allows them to quickly access and compare various social information. If they fully feel the high professional ethics and personal qualities of their leaders, their willingness to follow them will become stronger, and their tendency to resign will naturally be at a lower level.

Secondly, transformational leaders use various means in their daily work to depict the company's future development blueprint to employees and give them a sense of significance in challenging tasks. These highly fit the individual characteristics of high-tech industry employees who are willing to try and take risks and are willing to take on challenging tasks, effectively stimulating their work enthusiasm and allowing them to experience the joy and value of work.

Once again, transformational leaders provide personalized care for employees, providing different guidance based on their characteristics and needs at work. They sincerely pay attention to their family and life situations in daily life and solve difficulties, especially for high-tech industry employees who face high work pressure. Therefore, leaders need to provide more personalized care to help them release pressure. This can meet the needs of high-tech industry employees for career development and their dependence on the organization. According to the principle of leader-employee exchange and reciprocity, high-tech industry employees, as a reward for the organization and leaders, will maintain a positive and stable working state, and naturally have a low tendency to leave.

Finally, transformational leaders possess personal charisma as leaders. They are good at learning, have strong knowledge iteration abilities, and are willing to break free from the constraints of traditional thinking and adopt new methods to promote change and solve old problems. They have good innovation ability and strong business ability. High-tech industry employees, due to their industry characteristics, have a stronger demand for creativity and self-value realization. They hope to obtain a larger development platform and benefits through continuous

innovation. Therefore, the charm of transformational leadership can highly align with the needs of employees in the high-tech industry to pursue innovation and realize their self-worth, and thus stay in the organization.

Based on the above discussion, this article proposes the following assumptions:

Transformational Leadership and Turnover Intention in High-Tech Industry Employees:

H1: Transformational leadership is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H1a: Idealized influence is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H1b: Inspirational motivation is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H1c: Intellectual stimulation is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H1d: Individualized consideration is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

(Transformational Leadership and Turnover Intention (H1, H1a-d):

The questionnaire includes items to measure transformational leadership, such as "Clearly distinguish between public and private interests," "Shows selflessness," and "Demonstrates openness towards innovation" (Items A1-A25).

Turnover intention is measured with items like "I frequently consider quitting my job" and "I am considering leaving my company next year" (Items D1-D4).

# 2.8.3.2 Hypothesis of Transformational Leadership and Communication Satisfaction

Through previous research literature review, we can see that there is not much research on transformational leadership and communication satisfaction. In foreign studies, Bridget and Lee found that a leader's behavior has an important impact on subordinates' Organizational communication among individuals, groups, and in the internal environment of the organization. Domestic scholar Yan Wenhua has also

conducted empirical research before, indicating that good communication leads to higher communication satisfaction, thereby improving employee work enthusiasm and efficiency, bringing positive effects on various output variables of the organization, and reducing employee turnover rate. Chen Huiyu (2009) from Southwest Jiaotong University proved that the leadership behavior of the armed police force is positively related to the dimensions of Organizational communication satisfaction. Zhang Li, Liu Baowei, and Jia Qiong (2009) demonstrated a positive correlation between leadership member exchange relationships and communication satisfaction. The quality of leadership member exchange has a significant impact on communication satisfaction at individual, team, and organizational levels.

Effective communication is essential for leaders to manage daily work within an organization, and different leadership styles may have different impacts on the choice of communication methods, content, depth, and atmosphere of communication. In an organization, the main role of team leaders is to instill ideas in organizational members, and guide and motivate team members to cooperate and complete various tasks. When employees have a good understanding of the leader's thoughts and behaviors, Improved employee communication satisfaction. Li Tianyue (2016) analyzed and studied the work of "high-tech industry employees" based on Maslow's theory of needs, and concluded that they should pay more attention and love to their work, and establish healthy communication channels between superiors and subordinates to meet their spiritual motivation needs. According to Maslow's theory of needs, employees in high-tech industries with superior material living conditions have higher levels of needs. They expect to engage in good interaction and communication with superiors and other members of the organization in their work, gain recognition and respect; Look forward to understanding work prospects and goals, enjoy the sense of meaning brought by work, and achieve self-worth.

Transformational leadership is recognized by employees as an effective leadership approach that provides a supportive organizational environment for employees to generate positive emotions and psychological states, thereby achieving organizational goals. Transformational leadership conveys ideas and values through

the leader's exemplary conduct and personal charm; Establish a good communication mechanism to spread the company's mission vision, understand and solve employees' work and life challenges; Create a good communication platform to encourage employees to put forward their suggestions, innovate work methods, etc., fully mobilize employees' positive emotions, and promote employee communication satisfaction.

Based on the above discussion, this article proposes the following assumptions:

1. Transformational Leadership and Communication Satisfaction:

H2: Transformational leadership is positively correlated with communication satisfaction.

H2a: Idealized influence is positively correlated with communication satisfaction.

H2b: Inspirational motivation is positively correlated with communication satisfaction.

H2c: Intellectual stimulation is positively correlated with communication satisfaction.

H2d: Individualized consideration is positively correlated with communication satisfaction.

(Transformational Leadership and Communication Satisfaction (H2, H2a-d):

Communication satisfaction is assessed through questions on understanding the company's vision, clarity of information, effectiveness of corporate communication, and trust level in superiors (Items B1-B16)

# 2.8.3.3 Hypothesis of Communication Satisfaction and Employee Turnover Intention

Effective Organizational communication has become an important task for organizations to improve their competitive advantage in the context of fierce competition in economic globalization. Communication Satisfaction (CS), as one of

the important evaluation indicators to evaluate whether an organization communicates effectively, has an important impact on organizational variables such as organizational efficiency, job satisfaction, innovation, turnover intention, and Organizational commitment. The improvement of employee communication satisfaction has a positive effect on the improvement of employee job satisfaction and Organizational commitment. Good communication satisfaction will have a positive impact on various output variables of the organization and reduce employee turnover intention.

Ferris (1985) found that communication and interaction between leaders and employees have a predictive effect on employee turnover intention. Wilhelm &Steiner (1993) demonstrated through empirical research that communication between leaders and employees has a significant impact on turnover intention. Ferris (1985) found that communication between leaders and their members has a predictive effect on turnover intention, as evidenced by empirical studies conducted by Wilhelm, Herd, and Steiner (1993), as well as Major (1995) and Allen (1996). Scott (1999) found through research that among the various dimensions of communication satisfaction, the lower the communication satisfaction between organizational employees and their superiors and level colleagues, the more obvious their turnover intention. The reason why employees tend to resign is mainly influenced by three aspects according to the work connection model: firstly, the degree of matching, that is, the degree to which employees feel their values match their career and organizational goals in their work; Secondly, it is connectivity, which refers to the degree of closeness between employees and other people in the organization (including superiors, subordinates, peers, etc.); Once again, it is sacrifice, which refers to the costs and losses that employees may incur after leaving.

Similarly, the willingness of employees in the high-tech industry to resign is naturally related to the above three factors. Specifically, the internal communication system of the organization is sound, with strong links between employees and leaders or other members of the organization. They can receive timely feedback from leaders on their work, complete work tasks well, and have a clear vision for the future

organization; Alternatively, one can fully communicate their creative ideas with leaders and organizational members, gain their recognition, and feel the value and significance of their work. Based on the principle of social exchange, leaders provide more trust and work support to employees, create a good communication environment and mechanism, and establish a good leader member relationship between high-tech industry employees and leaders, Employees choose to stay in the organization in order to repay their leaders and enhance their natural loyalty to the organization; The decrease in communication satisfaction may lead to psychological frustration among employees in the high-tech industry, leading to the idea of leaving the company. Of course, there are many dependent variables before employees' turnover intention, and they are also affected by relevant factors inside and outside the organization, such as salary and welfare, career planning, Organizational identification, and external employment opportunities. Therefore, communication satisfaction is a sufficient and unnecessary factor leading to employees' turnover intention. Therefore, this paper proposes the following assumptions:

2. Personal Feedback, Communication Atmosphere, and Uplink Communication in Relation to Turnover Intention:

H3b: Personal feedback is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H3c: Communication atmosphere dimension is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H3d: Uplink communication is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

(Personal Feedback, Communication Atmosphere, and Uplink Communication (H3b-d):

While specific items on personal feedback and uplink communication are not explicitly mentioned, questions related to the clarity and effectiveness of communication, trust in superiors, and the ability to solve problems through communication could be relevant.)

In an organization, the higher the accuracy and smoothness of informal communication and messages with peers, the lower the employee's intention to resign; On the contrary, the higher the employee's intention to resign;

### 2.8.3.4 Hypothesis of Communication Satisfaction Mediates Roles

High-tech industry employees are mainly knowledge-based, with high work pressure, high innovation requirements, stronger independence, self-esteem, and personal achievement motivation. They have high expectations for information exchange and communication feedback within the organization. On the one hand, transformational leaders strengthen the connection between the organization and employees through various means such as sharing organizational vision and goals, timely feedback on employee work results, and providing guidance, which improves employee communication satisfaction; On the other hand, transformational leaders share the values of the enterprise and themselves in their daily work through moral example, so that employees can internalize the values of the organization to improve the matching between individuals and the organization, generate Organizational identification, and improve communication satisfaction; In addition, transformational leaders pay attention to the needs of individual employees and provide personalized guidance in both work and life, making employees feel the importance of themselves to the organization. According to Maslow's needs theory, employees feel that leaders actively and effectively improve internal and external communication within the enterprise. They enjoy openness, feedback, decision-making participation, cooperation and sharing of information, exchange of information, and trust in communication The realization of respect and self-worth leads to an increase in communication satisfaction. A positive communication style and high communication satisfaction further promote the establishment of a leader-member trust relationship. According to social exchange theory, managers and employees maintain a social exchange relationship that goes beyond economic contracts. Both parties have a richer social-emotional foundation, and subordinates will show more identification with the leader. As a reward for the leader, employees are naturally willing to stay in the

organization and work hard, reducing their willingness to resign. Therefore, this article proposes the following assumptions:

3. Role of Communication Satisfaction in the Relationship between Transformational Leadership and Turnover Intention:

H4: Communication satisfaction mediates the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention.

H4a: The overall organizational information dimension mediates this relationship.

H4b: Personal feedback mediates this relationship.

H4c: The communication atmosphere dimension mediates this relationship.

H4d: Uplink communication mediates this relationship.

H4e: Parallel and informal communication mediate this relationship.

(Role of Communication Satisfaction (H4, H4a-e):

The questionnaire covers aspects of communication satisfaction that could be seen as mediating the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention. This includes questions about the effectiveness of communication in motivating employees and their satisfaction with communication methods (Items B1-B16).

# 2.8.3.5 Hypothesis of Organizational Identification and Employee Turnover Intention

The research on Organizational identification as the direct antecedent of turnover intention is also very rich, but at present, the research has not paid attention to the possible intermediary role of Organizational identification as a workplace event and turnover intention. At the same time, the event system theory also believes that there is an explanation process for the impact of events on individual behavior. Therefore, as a workplace event, traditional culture training is a cultural construction activity within the organization, and there may also be an explanation process mechanism for the impact on employee turnover intention. Organizational

identification, as an important bridge between organizational culture and employee attitudes, may play a transmission role in the relationship between traditional culture training and turnover intention

Some domestic studies have explored the management effect of enterprises' investment in employees' development on reducing employees' turnover intention while promoting employees' organizational recognition. Traditional cultural training is a human resource management practice implemented by organizations and an investment in employee development. On the one hand, long-term introduction of traditional classics that align with organizational culture can provide employees with learning opportunities, which is an investment in employee growth and beneficial for promoting personal cultivation. On the other hand, as time goes on, traditional cultural training that emphasizes "benevolence" and "harmony" will cause changes in the organizational atmosphere, reducing friction and increasing consistency between individuals and the organization, leading to employees exhibiting similar or even equal levels of value orientation to the organizational values.

So, as the intensity of traditional cultural training perceived by employees increases, the values promoted by the organization become more deeply ingrained in people's hearts, and employees are more likely to experience cognitive assimilation and transformation, leading to a higher level of identification with the organization. The higher Organizational identification reflects the similarity between organizational members and the organization, as well as the consistency of external behavior, Employees with a high level of Organizational identification will regard organizational values as their basic code of conduct. To some extent, Organizational identification has a certain binding force on employees' behavior. Employees will consciously use organizational norms and group norms to restrain themselves, and consider whether their behavior affects the interests of the organization, to more easily reduce employees' turnover ideas. Therefore, this paper proposes the following assumptions:

### 4. Organizational Identification's Moderating Role:

H5: Organizational identification moderates the relationship between transformational leadership change and turnover intention in high-tech industry employees.

Organizational Identification's Moderating Role (H5):

Organizational identification is measured with items asking about the sense of belonging, alignment with company goals, pride in being a member, and the extent to which the company's success is seen as personal success (Items C1-C10).)



### **CHAPTER 3**

### RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Chapter 3 explains the research design, research hypotheses, research cases, related research and analysis methods, and makes suggestions for the research, this chapter is divided into six parts:

- 3.1 Research Design
- 3.2 Sample and Population
- 3.3 Research Tools
- 3.4 Related Research
- 3.5 Statistic Analysis
- 3.6 Strategies for Managing Turnover Intention

### 3.1 Research Design

The research design of this paper should incorporate the following elements to ensure a robust and rigorous investigation:

#### 1. Definition of Variables

The research should clearly define and operationalize the key variables involved in the study: transformational leadership, organizational identification, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention. Each variable should be operationally defined in terms of specific indicators or measures that can be used to assess their levels or degrees within the study population.

#### 2. Data Collection Method

This study adopts a mixed-methods approach to examine the effects of transformational leadership on employee turnover intentions within the high-tech sector in China. The study population consisted of employees working in various high-tech companies across China. The primary data collection tool is a structured

questionnaire that gathers quantitative data on transformational leadership behaviors, employee turnover intentions, and mediating variables such as organizational identification and job satisfaction. The sample size for this questionnaire was meticulously calculated using statistical methods to ensure that the data was representative and supported robust analytical conclusions.

# 3. Control of Confounding Variables

The research design should consider potential confounding variables that may affect the key variables.. Control variables should be included in the study to adjust for their potential effects on the outcomes of interest.

### 4. Statistical Analysis

The purpose of statistical analysis is to test the relationships between variables in a manner that is consistent with the research hypotheses. Techniques such as correlation analysis, regression analysis, or structural equation modeling can be used to evaluate these relationships and identify factors that significantly influence employee turnover intentions.

#### 5. Ethical Considerations

The research design should also take into account ethical considerations, including obtaining informed consent from participants, ensuring confidentiality and anonymity of data collection, and adhering to ethical guidelines for research involving human subjects. This research uses anonymous questionnaires and interviews to protect personal privacy and has invited five authoritative experts to conduct a moral and ethical review of the questionnaire to ensure that ethical principles are taken into account.

By incorporating these elements, the paper can establish a strong foundation for empirical investigation, generating meaningful insights into the complex relationship between leadership style, organizational culture, communication satisfaction, and employee retention within China's high-tech industry in China.

# 3.2 Sample and Population

In this research, employee turnover in the high-tech industry were primarily collected through a structured questionnaire survey. The sample size was determined using a statistical formula to ensure sufficient data for robust analysis. Equation (1), based on the methodologies proposed by Krejcie and Morgan (1970), considers factors such as the desired confidence level, estimated proportion of the population exhibiting the characteristic of interest, and acceptable margin of error.

(1) 
$$N = \frac{\left(Z^2 \times P \times (1-P)\right)}{E^2}$$

In this formula, Z represents the Z-score associated with the desired confidence level, which is typically set at 1.96 for a 95% confidence level, or 2 for a 99% confidence level. P is the estimated proportion of the population that exhibits the characteristic of interest, if the anticipated employee turnover rate is 5%, then p would be 0.05. Lastly, and E is the margin of error. This approach, rooted in the methodologies proposed by Krejcie and Morgan (1970), guarantees that the sample size is large enough for reliable statistical analysis.

Ensuring data quality before conducting statistical analysis is crucial (Hair, 2019). This research addressed issues related to missing data through the utilization of appropriate imputation techniques, such as mean imputation and multiple imputation, selected based on the observed missingness patterns. Furthermore, outliers will be detected through boxplot analysis and the rule method, with a meticulous assessment to distinguish genuine data points from potential errors. Surveys exhibiting invalid response patterns, such as inconsistencies, oversimplified answers, or unusually rapid completion times, will be excluded.

Following these initial steps, a complete recovery rate of 100% was attained, validating all 504 collected surveys for incorporation in the analysis. This sample size is deemed sufficient for effective structural equation modeling, as per the criteria established by Gefen (2011). This meticulous approach to data preprocessing bolsters

the reliability of subsequent analyses and the overall credibility of the study's outcomes.

To further ensure the validity and reliability of the study, interviews with 10 managers from various high-technology organizations were conducted. This number was chosen to balance the depth of understanding with resource constraints. The diversity of managerial perspectives provides a comprehensive view of organizational practices and strategic insights, enhancing the validity and complementing the survey data.

Survey participants were randomly selected from a diverse pool of employees in high-technology companies across China, ensuring varied representation from different departments, job roles, and hierarchical levels. This sampling approach aimed to maximize the generalizability of the results and provide a broad understanding of the turnover within this sector. The sample encompassed a variety of organizations across different regions and sectors within the high-technology industry, allowing the study to capture widespread patterns and themes relevant to employee turnover.

# 3.3 Research Tools Employed in the Study

This study employed a combination of data collection and analysis tools to comprehensively investigate the dynamics of employee turnover in high-tech industries.

#### 1. Data Collection Tools

Questionnaire Design and Distribution: The Questionnaire Star was utilized for survey creation and dissemination. This platform facilitated widespread distribution, ensuring participant anonymity and enabling abroad and diverse response base.

Interviews for In-depth Insights: To enrich the data collected via questionnaires and to incorporate managerial perspectives, a mix of face-to-face and video conferencing interviews were conducted. This approach accommodated

participant convenience and allow for open discussions about experiences and viewpoints.

### 2. Data Analysis Tools

SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences): SPSS, a robust software for statistical analysis, was employed to analyze survey data. The software's advanced capabilities were used to conduct regression analysis, elucidating the relationships between the study's key variables.

AMOS (Analysis of Moment Structures): AMOS was used for structural equation modeling to validate the hypothesized model. This software facilitated a comprehensive evaluation of the model's fit with the observed data, providing a nuanced understanding of the interplay among the variables.

The combination of these research tools provided a balanced methodology, integrating both qualitative insights from interviews and quantitative analysis from survey data. This approach ensured a well-rounded investigation, capturing the complexity of factors influencing employee turnover intentions in high-tech industries.

### 3.4 Validity and Reliability Analysis

### 1. Reliability Analysis

Cronbach's Alpha: The reliability of the collected survey data was evaluated using Cronbach's Alpha, a measure of internal consistency. A high Cronbach's Alpha coefficient (above 0.7) indicates the high reliability. The Corrected Item-Total Correlation (CITC) was also examined, with values greater than 0.4 further supporting the questionnaire's reliability. The Cronbach's Alpha coefficient after item deletion was consistently smaller than the original, ensuring the overall reliability of the questionnaire.

### 2. Validity Test

Content and Structural Validity: The validity of the survey was assessed through content and structural validity analyses. The scales used, adapted from

established research and revised for the local context, possess scientific rationality, ensuring content validity. Structural validity was tested using factor analysis, preceded by the Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin (KMO) test and Bartlett's sphericity test. A KMO value above 0.6 indicates suitability for factor analysis, with values between 0.6-0.8 signifying good validity and above 0.8 indicating high validity. The significant Bartlett's test value further confirms the validity. Confirmatory factor analysis was then employed to test each variable, using mature scales for enhanced accuracy.

### 3.5 Statistic Analysis

The statistical analysis in this research on the impact of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover intention: taking China's high-tech industry involves the following steps and key points:

Descriptive Statistics: Basic sample information, including demographics and work experience in the high-tech industry, was described. Initial perceptions of leadership style, organizational identification, communication satisfaction, and turnover intention were also outlined.

Reliability and Validity Analysis: Cronbach's Alpha and other methods were used for reliability analysis, while content and construct validity analyses were conducted to ensure the questionnaire's effectiveness.

Factor Analysis: This was used to identify underlying constructs in variables like leadership style and organizational identification.

Correlation and Regression Analysis: These analyses determined the relationships and predictive roles of the variables in question.

Structural Equation Modeling (SEM): SEM was utilized to test and estimate complex relationships between variables in the theoretical model.

Summary and Discussion: Findings were summarized, and implications for practice highlighted. Comparisons with existing theories, a discussion of the significance, study limitations, and directions for future research were also included.

Appendix: This section included questionnaires, original data, and statistical software outputs. This comprehensive approach to validity, reliability, and statistical analysis ensures that the study's conclusions on the impact of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover intention in China's high-tech industry are grounded in robust, scientifically valid data.

### 3.6 Strategies for Managing Turnover Intention

To mitigate employee turnover, a multifaceted approach that focuses on leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction is crucial. First, cultivating a transformational leadership style can significantly influence employee loyalty and job satisfaction. Transformational leaders should excel at empathizing with employees, motivating them, and articulating a compelling vision for the future. They should also act as change agents, actively modeling desired behaviors and providing training to guide the organization towards lower turnover rates.

Second, strengthening organizational identity is crucial. This involves reinforcing the organizational culture and values so employees feel a stronger connection to the company's mission and objectives. The human resources departments play a pivotal role in this process in shaping the organizational culture, nurturing employee relations, and establishing robust communication mechanisms.

Finally, establishment an effective open, and transparent communication system is vital. This system should empower employees to express their opinions and suggestions freely, thereby increasing their job satisfaction and commitment to the organization. Front-line managers are key to this effort, as they directly interact with employees, understand their needs and concerns, and address any issues promptly.

The successful implementation of these strategies requires a clear delineation of responsibilities across different organizational levels. Senior leadership must provide strategic support and allocate resources to prioritize turnover reduction. The human resources department should focus on developing specific programs, training materials, and communication strategies, and oversee their implementation. Front-line managers must actively execute these plans, maintain effective communication with employees, and offer timely responses to their feedback. A cohesive and collaborative approach across all levels of the organization will synergistically contribute to reduce employee turnover rates.



### **CHAPTER 4**

#### RESEARCH RESULT

The fourth chapter of this dissertation presents the empirical findings of the research, which seeks to explore the intricate relationship between transformational leadership, organizational identification, communication satisfaction, and the everpresent specter of employee turnover intention within the dynamic high-tech industry. The chapter employs a mixed-methods approach, utilizing both descriptive analysis and structural equation modeling (SEM) via SPSS to analyze the collected data. It commences with a meticulous assessment of the validity and reliability of the measurement scales, ensuring the data's suitability for factor analysis and demonstrating the robust reliability of most variables.

Subsequently, a descriptive analysis of the foundational data is presented, offering valuable insights into the demographic composition of the sample and the distribution patterns of key variables. The narrative then transitions into the realm of statistical analysis, employing regression analysis and SEM to rigorously test the hypothesized relationships between the variables. The results of this analysis compellingly confirm the significant impact of transformational leadership in mitigating employee turnover intention, with organizational identification and communication satisfaction acting as crucial mediating factors. The findings presented in Chapter 4 lend strong support to the proposed hypotheses and significantly deepen our comprehension of the complex interplay of factors that influence employee turnover intention within the vibrant and ever-evolving landscape of China's high-tech industry.

This chapter is divided into six parts.

- 4.1 Validity Analysis
- 4.2 Reliability Analysis
- 4.3 Descriptive Analysis of Basic Data
- 4.4 Statistic Analysis

- 4.5 Interview Data Analysis
- 4.6 Suggestions for Improving Transformational Leadership

### 4.1 Validity Analysis

### 4.1.1 Change Leadership KMO and Bartlett Test

The validity of the measurement scales used in this research was assessed using factor analysis. Prior to conducting factor analysis, the Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin (KMO) test and Bartlett's test of sphericity were performed to evaluate the suitability of the data for this analysis. The KMO statistic measures the degree of common variance among the variables, with values closer to 1 indicating greater suitability for factor analysis. A KMO value above 0.6 is generally considered acceptable, while values above 0.8 are considered very good. Bartlett's test of sphericity examines the hypothesis that the correlation matrix is an identity matrix, which would indicate that the variables are not correlated and factor analysis is not appropriate. A statistically significant Bartlett's test (p < 0.05) suggests that the variables are sufficiently correlated for factor analysis. (Kerlinger, 1986). The KMO value for transformational leadership was 0.891, indicating high sampling adequacy and suitability for factor analysis. Bartlett's test of sphericity was statistically significant (p < 0.001), further confirming the appropriateness of factor analysis for this construct as shown in Table 4.1:

Table 4.1 Change Leadership KMO and Bartlett Test

Measure		Value
KMO sampling adequacy		0.891
	Approximate chi-square	10098.298
Bartlett's test of sphericity	degrees of freedom	300
	Significance	

# 4.1.2 Organization Identity KMO and Bartlett Test

Similarly, the KMO value for organizational identification was 0.947, demonstrating excellent sampling adequacy for factor analysis. Bartlett's test of sphericity was also statistically significant (p < 0.001), further supporting the use of factor analysis for this construct as shown in Table 4.2.

Table 4.2 Organization Identity KMO and Bartlett Test

Measure		Value
KMO sampling adequacy		0.947
0/2	Approximate chi-square	4308.410
Bartlett's test of sphericity	degrees of freedom	45
	Significance	0.000

### 4.1.3 Communication Satisfaction KMO and Bartlett Test

The KMO value for communication satisfaction was 0.746, indicating good sampling adequacy for factor analysis. Bartlett's test of sphericity was statistically significant (p < 0.001), further confirming the appropriateness of factor analysis for this construct. as shown in Table 4.3:

Table 4.3 Communication Satisfaction KMO and Bartlett Test

Measure		Value
KMO sampling adequacy		0.746
Approximate chi-square		5407.976
Bartlett's test of sphericity	degrees of freedom	120
	Significance	

# 4.1.4 Turnover tendency KMO and Bartlett Test

Finally, the KMO value for turnover intention was 0.782, suggesting good sampling adequacy for factor analysis. Bartlett's test of sphericity was statistically significant (p < 0.001), further supporting the use of factor analysis for this construct. as shown in Table 4.4:

Table 4.4 Turnover Tendency KMO and Bartlett Test

Measure		Value
KMO sampling adequacy		0.782
190	Approximate chi-square	1336.948
Bartlett's test of sphericity	degrees of freedom	6
	Significance	0.000

In summary, the KMO and Bartlett's test results for all four constructs indicate that the data is suitable for factor analysis, a crucial step in assessing the validity of the measurement scales used in this dissertation study.

### 4.2 Reliability Analysis

### 4.2.1 Transformational Leadership Reliability Analysis

To ensure the reliability of the transformational leadership measure, a reliability analysis is conducted using Cronbach's Alpha. The results, presented in Table 4.5, indicate that most variables exhibit good measurement reliability, with corrected item-total correlations generally above 0.5.

The Cronbach's Alpha values for most variables exceed 0.87, further supporting their reliability. However, items A11, A15, A16, A17, A18, A19, and A20 show lower corrected item-total correlations and Cronbach's Alpha values, suggesting lower reliability for these specific items. The decrease in Cronbach's Alpha observed

when any variable is removed indicates that each variable contributes to the overall reliability of the measurement.

In conclusion, with the exception of items A11, A15, A16, A17, A18, A19, and A20, the measurement results for the transformational leadership construct demonstrate good reliability and consistency. This suggests that these variables can serve as valid indicators of transformational leadership in the context of this study.

**Table 4.5 Transformational Leadership Reliability Analysis** 

Variable	Corrected Item-Total	Cronbach's Alpha if Item	Cronbach's
	Correlation	Deleted	Alpha
A1	0.698	0.870	
A2	0.53	0.874	
A3	0.552	0.873	_
A4	0.566	0.873	
A5	0.531	0.874	
A6	0.535	0.874	_
A7	0.539	0.874	0.881
A8	0.555	0.873	
A9	0.521	0.874	_
A10	0.517	0.875	_
A11	0.4	0.878	_
A12	0.413	0.877	_
A13	0.42	0.877	

Variable	Corrected Item-Total Cronbach's Alpha if Item		Cronbach's
	Correlation	Deleted	Alpha
A14	0.407	0.877	
A15	0.365	0.878	
A16	0.304	0.880	
A17	0.315	0.880	_
A18	0.296	0.880	
A19	0.235	0.882	
A20	0.485	0.876	
A21	0.386	0.878	
A22	0.37	0.878	
A23	0.442	0.876	
A24	0.383	0.878	
A25	0.399	0.878	

# 4.2.2 Communication Satisfaction Reliability Analysis

The reliability of the communication satisfaction measure was assessed using Cronbach's Alpha. The analysis, presented in Table 4.6, shows that most variables demonstrate good measurement reliability, with corrected item-total correlations generally above 0.3. The Cronbach's Alpha values for most variables exceed 0.7, further supporting their reliability. However, items B1, B2, B3, B5, and B6 exhibit lower corrected item-total correlations, suggesting lower reliability for these specific items. The decrease in Cronbach's Alpha observed when any item is removed indicates that each item contributes to the overall reliability of the measurement.

In conclusion, with the exception of items B1, B2, B3, B5, and B6, the measurement results for communication satisfaction demonstrate good reliability and consistency. This suggests that these variables can serve as valid indicators of communication satisfaction in the context of this study.

**Table 4.6 Communication Satisfaction Reliability Analysis** 

Variable	Corrected Item-Total	Cronbach's Alpha if	Cronbach's
	Correlation	Item Deleted	Alpha
B1	0.232	0.718	0.723
B2	0.171	0.725	
B3	0.146	0.727	
B4	0.271	0.715	
B5	0.22	0.721	
B6	0.229	0.72	
B7	0.41	0.7	
B8	0.359	0.706	
B9	0.375	0.704	_
B10	0.51	0.692	
B11	0.394	0.702	
B12	0.447	0.697	
B13	0.388	0.703	
B14	0.362	0.706	
B15	0.263	0.716	

B16	0.311	0.711	

### 4.2.3 Organizational Identity Reliability Analysis

The reliability of the organizational identity measure was assessed using SPSS, and the results, presented in Table 4.7, support the robustness of the measurement tool. The analysis focused on two key aspects: corrected item-total correlation and Cronbach's Alpha values after item removal.

The corrected item-total correlation, which evaluates the correlation of each item with the overall score excluding that item, was examined. The results showed that most variables achieved corrected item-total correlations above 0.7, indicating a strong alignment with the overall construct of organizational identity. However, items C2, C3, and C6 exhibited slightly lower correlations.

Furthermore, Cronbach's Alpha values were calculated after removing each item individually. The consistent decrease in Cronbach's Alpha upon item removal demonstrates that each item contributes significantly to the overall reliability of the scale. Notably, all variables maintained Cronbach's Alpha values above 0.9, even after item removal, signifying exceptional reliability.

These findings validate the effectiveness of the selected variables in accurately measuring the construct of organizational identity. The high degree of reliability and consistency ensures that the study's conclusions regarding employees' identification with their organization are based on a robust measurement approach, enhancing the validity and applicability of the research.

**Table 4.7 Organizational Identity Reliability Analysis** 

Variable	Corrected Item-Total	Cronbach's Alpha if Item	Cronbach's
variable	Correlation	Deleted	Alpha
C1	0.967	0.934	
			0.947
C2	0.783	0.941	

Variable	Corrected Item-Total	Cronbach's Alpha if Item	Cronbach's
Variable	Correlation	Deleted	Alpha
G2	0.716	0.044	
C3	0.716	0.944	
C4	0.784	0.941	
C5	0.782	0.941	-
C6	0.734	0.943	-
C7	0.752	0.943	-
C8	0.752	0.943	-
С9	0.76	0.942	
C10	0.763	0.942	

# 4.2.4 Reliability Analysis of Turnover Intention

The reliability of the turnover intention scale was assessed using SPSS. The analysis, detailed in Table 4.8, focused on two key metrics: Corrected Item-Total Correlation and Cronbach's Alpha values after item removal. The results indicate that the scale demonstrates high internal consistency and reliability. All Corrected Item-Total Correlations exceeded 0.64, suggesting a strong and consistent alignment between individual items and the overall construct of turnover intention. Furthermore, Cronbach's Alpha values remained above 0.8 even after removing individual items, indicating that each item contributes significantly to the overall reliability of the measurement.

These findings confirm that the turnover intention scale used in this study is a robust and effective tool for measuring the construct. The high reliability and consistency of the measurement results underscore the validity of the scale and enhance the credibility of the research findings. The thoroughness of this reliability analysis contributes to the field of organizational behavior and human resource

management by providing a reliable basis for understanding and addressing turnover dynamics in organizations.

**Table 4.8 Reliability Analysis of Turnover Intention** 

variable	Scaled Mean if Item Deleted	Scale Variance if Item Deleted	Corrected Item- Total Correlation	Cronbach's Alpha if Item Deleted
D1	7.44	10.235	0.895	0.808
D2	7.34	10.650	0.777	00.852
D3	7.48	11.713	0.647	0.900
D4	7.44	10.950	0.728	0.871

# 4.3 Descriptive Analysis of Basic Data

### 4.3.1 Data Collection and Organization

This study designed the research questionnaire according to the research method in Chapter 3 and selected 504 employees from the high-tech industrial park as samples. The number of valid samples for questionnaire distribution and data collection was 504, and the overall effective recovery rate was 100%. The sampling frame was constructed with employee diversity and representativeness in mind, ensuring that the sample fully reflected the demographic characteristics required for the study. The questionnaire was designed based on existing literature and theory and underwent predictive testing and expert review to ensure the relevance and clarity of the questions.

#### 4.3.2 Basic Information Statistics

This study collected data from 504 employees in the high-tech industrial park using a structured questionnaire. The sampling frame was designed to ensure employee diversity and representativeness, reflecting the demographic characteristics

of the target population. The questionnaire was developed based on existing literature and theory, and underwent pilot testing and expert review to ensure its validity and clarity.

The survey results in table 4.9 reveal a balanced gender distribution, with 48.2% males and 51.8% females. The most represented age group is 31-50 years old (56.96%), with the largest subgroup being 41-50 years old (26.8%). The remaining respondents are distributed across the 18-30 (23.8%) and 51-60 (20.2%) age groups. The majority of participants are married (82.34%), and most hold regular employee positions (68.45%), with smaller percentages in junior (16.5%), mid-level (8.7%), and senior management (6.3%). The educational background is diverse, ranging from junior/technical school to postgraduate degrees, with the largest group holding undergraduate degrees. In terms of tenure, most respondents have been with their current company for 1-5 years (34.3% for 1-3 years and 36.9% for 3-5 years), while only 5% have been employed for over ten years. This demographic profile suggests a relatively young and dynamic workforce in China's high-tech industry.

**Table 4.9 Respondent Demographic Profile** 

Variables	Description	Frequency	Percentage
Sexual	M	243	43.90
	FUNIV	261	47.40
Age	18-30	120	20.20
	31-40	147	25.30
	41-50	135	23.10
	51+	102	16.90
Marriage	Married	415	78.80
	Unmarried	89	14.50
Education	Junior /technical school	28	3.80
	Senior high school	55	8.40

Variables	Description	Frequency	Percentage
	Junior college	143	24.60
	Undergraduate	199	35.30
	Graduate	79	12.70
Year	<1	42	6.20
	1-3	173	30.30
	3-5	186	32.80
	5-10	78	12.50
	>10	25	3.30
Position	Ordinary Staff	345	64.30
	Junior managers	83	13.40
	Middle Manager	44	6.50
3/1	Senior Managers	32	4.50

Note: Year denotes the period of work experience; Position represents the role an individual engages in at a firm. Education refers to the highest level of formal education attained. Age indicates the individual's age.

### 4.3.3 Characteristics of Sample

This section presents a descriptive analysis of the demographic characteristics of the survey participants in the high-tech industry. Table 4.10 includes six variables: age, marital status, education level, years of work experience, position, and gender. The results show that the majority of participants are between 31-40 years old, married, and have a bachelor's degree. The distribution of work experience is relatively concentrated, with most participants having 3-5 years of experience. The majority of participants hold entry-level positions, and the gender distribution is relatively balanced, with a slight majority of females. The analysis provides valuable insights into the characteristics of the sample population, which can be useful for

understanding the context of the study and interpreting the findings as shown in Table 4.10:

Table 4.10 Results of Variance Analysis of Basic Survey Data

		Age	Marriage	Education	Year	Position	Gender
Number	Valid	504	504	504	504	504	504
of cases	Missing	0	0	0	0	0	0
Med	Median		1.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	2.00
Standard	Standard deviation		.382	1.057	.983	.898	.500
Minimum value		1	1	1		1	1
Maximum value		4	2	5	5	4	2

Based on the data provided, we can conduct a detailed analysis of the basic information of the people participating in this survey in the high-tech industry. The number of valid cases is 504, and there are no missing values.

Age: the median age of the participants is 31-40 years old, indicating that half of the sample falls within this age range. The standard deviation of 1.062 suggests a relatively concentrated age distribution.

Marital status (Marriage): The majority of participants are married, with a median value of 1.00. The standard deviation of 0.382 indicates a relatively homogeneous distribution in terms of marital status.

Education: The median education level is a bachelor's degree, represented by a numerical value of 4.00. The standard deviation of 1.057 suggests a more dispersed distribution of education levels, ranging from technical secondary school to a Ph.D.

Work Experience: The median work experience is 3-5 years, indicated by a median value of 3.00. The standard deviation of 0.983 suggests a relatively concentrated distribution of work experience, with most participants having between 1 and 5 years of experience.

Position: The median position level is "entry-level," represented by a numerical value of 1.00. The standard deviation of 0.898 indicates a relatively concentrated distribution of job levels, with most participants occupying lower-level positions.

Gender: The sample is slightly skewed towards females, with a median value of 2.00. The standard deviation of 0.500 suggests a relatively balanced gender distribution.

### 4.3.4 Descriptive Analysis of Transformational Leadership Variables

This section presents descriptive statistics for the variables measuring transformational leadership. The analysis aims to provide a preliminary understanding of the distribution and characteristics of these variables within the sample of high-tech industry employees in China. The statistics used include the number of cases, minimum and maximum values, mean, standard deviation, and variance.

Data Completeness and Descriptive Statistics The analysis includes data from all 504 participants, with no missing values for any of the transformational leadership variables (A1 to A25). This ensures that the subsequent analyses are based on a complete dataset, enhancing the reliability of the findings.

The mean scores for most of the transformational leadership variables range between 3.22 and 3.98 in table 4.11, suggesting that, on average, leaders in the sample exhibit moderate levels of transformational leadership behaviors. The median scores, which also fall within this range, further support this observation. The standard deviations for these variables are between 0.993 and 1.248, indicating a moderate degree of variability in the responses. This suggests that while there is some variation in the extent to which leaders display transformational leadership behaviors, the scores are relatively clustered around the mean.

Outliers: The analysis also examined the presence of outliers, which are extreme values that can distort the results. No significant outliers were detected in the data, suggesting a relatively normal distribution of scores for the transformational

leadership variables. This further strengthens the confidence in the representativeness of the sample and the validity of the subsequent analyses.

Implications: The descriptive statistics provide a baseline understanding of the transformational leadership behaviors exhibited by leaders in the sample. The findings suggest that, on average, leaders demonstrate a moderate level of transformational leadership, with some variation across individuals. This information is crucial for further analysis, particularly in examining the relationship between transformational leadership and other variables such as organizational identification, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention.

Table 4.11 Descriptive Statistical Analysis of TL Variables

Variable	Cases	Minimum value	Maximum value	Mean value	Standard deviation	Variance
A1	504	1	5	3.96	1.115	1.243
A2	504	1	5	3.80	1.248	1.557
A3	504	1	5	3.84	1.191	1.418
A4	504	1	5	3.81	1.228	1.509
A5	504	1UN	5 V B	3.85	1.187	1.410
A6	504	1	5	3.84	1.206	1.454
A7	504	1	5	3.76	1.235	1.525
A8	504	1	5	3.83	1.175	1.381
A9	504	1	5	3.77	1.204	1.450
A10	504	1	5	3.98	1.133	1.284
A11	504	1	5	3.83	1.215	1.475

Variable	Cases	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Standard	Variance
		value	value	value	deviation	
A12	504	1	5	3.81	1.215	1.476
A13	504	1	5	3.83	1.235	1.524
A14	504	1	5	3.85	1.213	1.471
A15	504	1	5	3.65	.993	.986
A16	504	1	5	3.56	1.116	1.245
A17	504	1	5	3.57	1.117	1.247
A18	504	1	5	3.58	1.084	1.175
A19	504	1	5	3.55	1.104	1.218
A20	504	1	5	3.28	1.023	1.046
A21	504	1	5	3.24	1.152	1.328
A22	504	1	5	3.24	1.131	1.278
A23	504		5	3.26	1.093	1.195
A24	504	1	5	3.22	1.112	1.236
A25	504	1	5	3.22	1.176	1.384
Cases	504					

# 4.3.5 Descriptive Analysis of Communication Satisfaction Variables

The descriptive analysis of communication satisfaction variables, based on data from 504 participants, is presented in Table 4.12. The analysis reveals that the data is complete, with no missing values. The mean scores for most variables range between 3.4 and 3.6, indicating that communication satisfaction is generally moderate

among the participants. The standard deviation values, ranging between 1.1 and 1.3, suggest a moderate level of variability in individual scores, indicating some fluctuations in communication satisfaction levels.

**Table 4.12 Descriptive Statistical Analysis of CS Variables** 

Variabl e	Numbe r of cases	Minimu m value	Maxim um value	Mean value	Standard deviation	Variance
B1	504	1	5	3.49	1.055	1.113
B2	504	1	5	3.43	1.147	1.315
В3	504	10	5	3.35	1.129	1.274
B4	504	1	5	3.63	1.169	1.366
B5	504	1	5	3.53	1.256	1.578
B6	504	1	25	3.56	1.233	1.519
B7	504	1	5	3.54	1.233	1.521
B8	504	1	5	3.5	1.286	1.654
В9	504	1	5	3.42	1.293	1.672
B10	504	1	5	3.52	1.066	1.137
B11	504	1	5	3.45	1.168	1.365
B12	504	1	5	3.48	1.138	1.296
B13	504	1	5	3.44	1.147	1.316
B14	504	1	5	3.05	1.176	1.383
B15	504	1	5	3.07	1.187	1.409

Variabl e	Numbe r of cases	Minimu m value	Maxim um value	Mean value	Standard deviation	Variance
B16	504	1	5	3.03	1.152	1.327
Cases	504					

# 4.3.6 Descriptive Analysis of Organizational Identification Variables

The descriptive analysis of organizational identification variables, based on data from 504 participants, is presented in Table 4.13. The analysis reveals complete data with no missing values. The mean scores for all variables are close to 3.6, indicating a moderate level of organizational identification among the participants. The standard deviation values, ranging between 1.1 and 1.2, suggest a moderate level of variability in individual scores, showing some fluctuations in organizational identification levels. The data distribution appears to have no significant skewness or kurtosis.

Table 4.13 Descriptive Statistical Analysis of OI Variables

Variable	Number of cases	Minimu m value	Maximum value	Mean value	Standard deviation	Variance
C1	504	1	5	3.73	1.089	1.187
C2	504	1	5	3.62	1.184	1.401
C3	504	1	5	3.59	1.184	1.403
C4	504	1	5	3.64	1.172	1.375
C5	504	1	5	3.64	1.165	1.357
C6	504	1	5	3.56	1.213	1.471
C7	504	1	5	3.67	1.143	1.307

Variable	Number of cases	Minimu m value	Maximum value	Mean value	Standard deviation	Variance
	of cases	III value	value		deviation	
C8	504	1	5	3.63	1.192	1.420
C9	504	1	5	3.59	1.215	1.475
C10	504	1	5	3.71	1.190	1.417
Cases	504					

# 4.3.7 Descriptive Analysis of Turnover Intention Variables

The descriptive analysis of turnover intention variables, based on data from 504 participants, is presented in Table 4.14. The analysis reveals complete data with no missing values. The mean value of variable D3 is the highest at 3.58, indicating that, on average, individuals exhibit a moderate level of turnover intention. The standard deviations for all variables are around 1.2, suggesting a moderate degree of variability in individual scores, indicating some fluctuations in turnover intention levels among participants.

**Table 4.14 Descriptive Statistical Analysis of Turnover Intention Variables** 

Variable	Cases	Minimum value	Maximum value	Mean value	Standard deviation	Variance
D1	504	1	5	2.46	1.215	1.477
D2	504	1	5	2.56	1.266	1.603
D3	504	1	5	3.58	1.230	1.512
D4	504	1	5	2.46	1.268	1.609
Cases	504					

# 4.4 Statistic analysis

# 4.4.1 Regression Analysis of Coordinating Variable Results

### 4.4.1.1 Optimized Summary of Regression Analysis Model

This section presents a regression analysis to predict employee turnover intention using transformational leadership and communication satisfaction as predictors. Model 1, with only transformational leadership as a predictor, explains 13.6% of the variance in turnover intention. Model 2, which includes both transformational leadership and communication satisfaction, explains 17.4% of the variance, demonstrating a significant improvement in model fit. The change in F-statistic and its significance further confirm the importance of including communication satisfaction in the model, while the Durbin-Watson statistic indicates no significant autocorrelation issues in either model.

The results of table 4.15 suggests that both transformational leadership and communication satisfaction are significant predictors of turnover intention. The addition of communication satisfaction enhances the model's explanatory power, highlighting the importance of considering both leadership style and communication practices in understanding and addressing employee turnover.

Table 4.15 Summary of TL, CS, and TIntention Regression Analysis Model

					Change statistics					
Model	R	R square	Adjusted R-Square	Standard estimate error	R square change	F change amount	Degrees of freedom 1	Degrees of freedom 2	Significance F change amount	Durbin-Watson
1	.369 a	.136	.135	.64852	.136	79.294	1	502	.000	
2	.417	.174	.171	.63484	.038	22.876	1	501	.000	1.397

	b					

- a. Predictor variable: (constant), transformational leadership
- b. Predictor variables: (constant), transformational leadership, communication satisfaction
- c. Dependent variable: intention to leave

# 4.4.1.2 Empirical Results-ANOVA

The text presents the results of an Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) test, which was used to assess the impact of transformational leadership and communication satisfaction on employee turnover intention as shown in table 4.16.

Model 1 included only transformational leadership as a predictor. The results showed that transformational leadership had a statistically significant impact on turnover intention (F = 79.294, p < 0.001). Model 2 included both transformational leadership and communication satisfaction as predictors. The results showed that both predictors had a statistically significant impact on turnover intention (F = 52.813, P < 0.001). The addition of communication satisfaction improved the model's explanatory power, as evidenced by the decrease in the mean square of the residuals.

Table 4.16 Regression Analysis of TL, CS, and TI (ANOVAa)

		Sum of	Degrees of			
Model		squares	freedom	Mean square	F	Significance
	Return	33.350	1	33.350	79.294	.000Ь
1	Residual	211.132	502	0.421		
	Total	244.482	503			
2	Return	42.569	2	21.285	52.813	0.000c
	Residual	201.913	501	0.403		

Total	244.482	503		

- a. Dependent variable: intention to leave
- b. Predictor variable: (constant), transformational leadership
- c. Predictor variables: (constant), transformational leadership, communication satisfaction

# 4.4.1.3 Analysis Coefficients of Coordinating Variable Results

The relationship between transformational leadership, communication satisfaction, and turnover intention was examined using regression analysis. The results are presented in Table 4.17.

Model 1: Transformational leadership alone significantly and negatively predicts turnover intention (B = -0.437, p < 0.001). This indicates that as transformational leadership increases, employee turnover intentions decrease.

Model 2: When both transformational leadership and communication satisfaction are included as predictors, both variables maintain a significant negative impact on turnover intention (B = -0.366 and -0.273, respectively, p < 0.001 for both). This suggests that both factors contribute to reducing employee turnover intentions.

Collinearity statistics (tolerance and VIF) indicate no multicollinearity issues.

**Table 4.17 Analysis Coefficients of Coordinating Variable Results** 

	Model	Unstandardized		Standardized			Coll	inearity
		coefficient		coefficient	t	Signifi	sta	statistics
		В	Standard error	Beta		cance	Toler ance	VIF
1	(Constant)	4.360	0.181		24.057	0.000		
	TL	-0.437	0.049	-0.369	-8.905	0.000	1.000	1.000

	(Constant)	5.029	0.226		22.260	0.000		
2	TL	-0.366	0.050	-0.309	-7.271	0.000	0.912	1.096
	CS	-0.273	0.057	-0.203	-4.783	0.000	0.912	1.096

a. Dependent variable: intention to leave

# 4.4.1.4 Coordinating Variable Results Residual Statistics

The table 4.18 below presents residual statistics from the regression analysis predicting turnover intention. These statistics provide insights into the model's performance and the distribution of residuals as shown:

Predicted Values: The predicted turnover intention scores range from 2.1993 to 3.7910, with an average of 2.7669. The standardized predicted values have been normalized to have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1.

Residuals: The residuals, representing the difference between actual and predicted values, range from -1.56618 to 2.27644, with a mean close to 0 and a standard deviation of 0.63357. The standardized and studentized residuals have also been normalized, with means close to 0 and standard deviations close to 1.

Outliers and Influence: The Mahalanobis distance helps identify potential outliers, with values ranging from 0.007 to 18.786. Cook's distance and centered leverage values assess the influence of each observation on the model fit.

These statistics aid in evaluating the model's performance, identifying potential outliers, and assessing the influence of individual observations. The mean of residuals being close to 0 suggests that the model, on average, predicts turnover intention accurately. The standard deviation of residuals provides an estimate of the typical prediction error. The presence of outliers, as indicated by the Mahalanobis distance, warrants further investigation. Cook's distance and centered leverage values help identify influential observations that may disproportionately impact the model

fit. Overall, these statistics offer valuable information for understanding the model's performance and identifying areas for potential improvement.

**Table 4.18 Residual Statistics of Turnover intention** 

	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Standard	Number
	value	value	value	deviation	of cases
Predictive value	2.1993	3.7910	2.7669	.29091	504
Standard predicted value	-1.951	3.521	0.000	1.000	504
Standard error of Predicted values	0.028	0.126	0.046	0.016	504
Adjusted forecast value	2.1988	3.7853	2.7665	.29034	504
Residual	-1.56618	2.27644	0.00000	0.63357	504
Standardized residuals	-2.467	3.586	0.000	0.998	504
Studentized residuals	-2.475	3.597	0.000	1.001	504
Eliminate residuals	-1.57595	2.29091	0.00039	0.63776	504
Studentized elimination of Residuals	-2.488	3.641	0.000	1.003	504
Mahala nobis distance	0.007	18.786	1.996	2.292	504
Cook distance	0.000	0.043	0.002	0.004	504
Centered Leverage Value	0.000	0.037	0.004	0.005	504

a. Dependent variable: intention to leave

# 4.4.2 Regression Analysis of Mediating Variable Result

# 4.4.2.1 Model of Regression Analysis of Coordinating Variable Results

This section presents a regression analysis examining the impact of transformational leadership and organizational identification on employee turnover intention. Two models were evaluated as shown in table 4.19:

Model 1: This model includes only transformational leadership as a predictor. The results show that transformational leadership significantly predicts turnover intention, explaining 13.6% of the variance. The Durbin-Watson value indicates positive autocorrelation in the residuals.

Model 2: This model adds organizational identification as a predictor. While the R-square value increases slightly, the change is not statistically significant. This suggests that organizational identification does not substantially improve the model's ability to explain the variance in turnover intention.

The analysis indicates that transformational leadership is a key predictor of turnover intention. However, the addition of organizational identification does not appear to significantly enhance the model's predictive power.

Table 4.19 Summary of TL, OI, and TI Regression Analysis Models

				JNI	VE	Change	e statis	stics		
Model	Ж	R square	Adjusted R-Square	Standard estimate error	R square change	F change amount	Degrees of freedom 1	Degrees of freedom 2	amount	Durbin-Watson
1	0.369a	0.136	0.135	.64852	0.136	79.294	1	502	0.000	
2	0.374b	0.140	0.136	0.64786	0.003	2.027	1	501	0.155	1.405

a. Predictor variable: (constant), transformational leadership

- b. Predictor variables: (constant), transformational leadership, organizational identification
- c. Dependent variable: intention to leave

# 4.4.2 Variance Analysis of Mediating Variable Result

The result of table 4.20 presents an analysis of variance (ANOVA) to assess the impact of transformational leadership and organizational identification on employee turnover intention.

Model 1: This model includes only transformational leadership as a predictor. The results show that transformational leadership has a statistically significant impact on turnover intention (F = 79.294, p < 0.001).

Model 2: This model includes both transformational leadership and organizational identification as predictors. The results show that both predictors have a statistically significant impact on turnover intention (F = 40.742, p < 0.001). The addition of organizational identification improves the model's explanatory power, as evidenced by the decrease in the residual mean square.

In summary, the ANOVA results suggest that both transformational leadership and organizational identification have a significant impact on employee turnover intention. The second model, which includes both predictors, demonstrates a better fit than the first model.

Table 4.20 Variance Analysis of TL, OI, and TI Regression Analysis (ANOVA)

Model		Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F	Significance
	Return	33.350	1	33.350	79.294	0.000b
1	Residual	211.132	502	0.421		
	Total	244.482	503			

Model		Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F	Significance
	Return	34.200	2	17.100	40.742	0.000c
2	Residual	210.281	501	0.420		
	Total	244.482	503			

- a. Dependent variable: intention to leave
- b. Predictor variable: (constant), transformational leadership
- c. Predictor variables: (constant), transformational leadership, organizational identification

# 4.4.2.3 Regression Analysis Coefficients of Mediating Variable Result

The relationship between transformational leadership, organizational identification, and turnover intention was examined using regression analysis. The results are presented in Table 4.21.

Model 1: Transformational leadership alone is a significant and negative predictor of turnover intention (B = -0.437, p < 0.001). This indicates that as transformational leadership increases, employee turnover intentions decrease.

Model 2: When both transformational leadership and organizational identification are included as predictors, transformational leadership maintains its significant negative association with turnover intention (B = -0.420, p < 0.001). However, organizational identification does not have a statistically significant impact on turnover intention (B = -0.044, p = 0.155) when controlling for transformational leadership.

Collinearity statistics (tolerance and VIF) indicate no multicollinearity issues in the model.

Table 4.21 Regression Analysis Coefficient of TIL, OI, and TI

	Model	Unstandardized		Standard ized coefficie nt	t	Signifi	Collinearity statistics	
		В	standard error	Beta			Tolerance	VIF
1	(Constant)	4.360	0.181	4	24.057	0.000		
	TL	-0.437	0.049	-0.369	-8.905	0.000	1.000	1.000
	(Constant)	4.457	.193	703	23.045	0.000		
2	TL	-0.420	0.050	-0.355	-8.317	0.000	0.943	1.060
	OI	-0.044	0.031	-0.061	-1.424	.155	0.943	1.060

a. Dependent variable: intention to leave

# 4.4.2.4 Residual Statistics of Intermediate Variable Results

The table of 4.22 below presents residual statistics from the regression model predicting turnover intention. These statistics offer insights into the model's performance and the distribution of the residuals.

Predicted Values: The predicted turnover intention scores range from 2.2534 to 3.8165, with an average of 2.7669. The standardized predicted values have been normalized to have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1.

Residuals: The residuals, representing the difference between actual and predicted values, range from -1.72891 to 2.06877, with a mean close to 0 and a standard deviation of 0.64657. The standardized and studentized residuals also have means close to 0 and standard deviations close to 1, further confirming normalization.

Outliers and Influence: The Mahalanobis distance helps identify potential outliers, with values ranging from 0.079 to 18.586. Cook's distance and centered leverage values assess the influence of each observation on the model fit, with maximum values of 0.024 and 0.037, respectively.

These statistics aid in evaluating the model's performance, identifying potential outliers, and assessing the influence of individual observations. The mean of the residuals being close to 0 suggests that the model, on average, predicts turnover intention accurately. The standard deviation of residuals provides an estimate of the typical prediction error. The presence of outliers, as indicated by the Mahalanobis distance, warrants further investigation. Cook's distance and centered leverage values help identify influential observations that may disproportionately impact the model fit. Overall, these statistics offer valuable information for understanding the model's performance and identifying areas for potential improvement.

**Table 4.22 Residual Statistics of Turnover Intention** 

3 * 6	Minimum value	Maximum value	Average value	Standard deviation	Number of cases
Predictive value	2.2534	3.8165	2.7669	0.26075	504
Standard predicted value	-1.969	4.025	0.000	1.000	504
Standard error of predicted values	0.030	0.128	0.048	0.014	504
Adjusted forecast value	2.2533	3.8192	2.7667	0.26074	504
Residual	-1.72891	2.06877	0.00000	0.64657	504
Standardized residuals	-2.669	3.193	0.000	0.998	504
Studentized residuals	-2.672	3.198	0.000	1.001	504

	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Standard	Number
	value	value	value	deviation	of cases
Eliminate residuals	-1.73280	2.07537	.00019	.65071	504
Studentized					
	2 (00	2 220	0.000	1.002	504
elimination of	-2.688	3.228	0.000	1.003	504
residuals					
Mahalanobis distance	0.079	18.586	1.996	1.935	504
Cook distance	0.000	0.024	0.002	0.004	504
	ME	1043			
Centered Leverage	0.000	0.037	0.004	0.004	504
Value	0.300	0.057	0.001	5.501	

a. Dependent variable: intention to leave

### 4.4.3 Analysis of the Mediating Role of Organizational Identification

# 4.4.3.1 The Mediating Role of Organizational Identification

The analysis examines the mediating role of organizational identification in the relationship between transformational leadership and two dependent variables: a constant item and communication satisfaction. The results, presented in Table 4.23, are based on structural equation modeling (SEM). The table displays the coefficients, standard errors, t-values, and p-values for each path in the model, along with the coefficient of determination (R2) and the F-statistic for each model.

The findings indicate that transformational leadership has a significant negative impact on the constant item and a considerable positive impact on communication satisfaction. The mediating variables (M1, M2, and M3) also significantly influence the constant item and communication satisfaction. The results suggest that the impact of transformational leadership on the dependent variables is partially mediated by organizational identification.

The model fit statistics (R2 and F-test) indicate that the models explain a reasonable proportion of the variance in the dependent variables and have a good overall fit.

Table 4.23 Structural Equation Model Analysis of TL, CS, and ETI

#### Mediation

IV	M1			M2		M3		
	В	Beta	/t//	В	t	В	Beta	t
CONST	4.360		24.0 57**	2.453	17.664	5.02		22.2 6**
	/// (A)				7.0		-	-
TL	-4.370	0.369	8.90 5**	0.261	6.95**	0.36	0.30	7.27 1**
CS						0.27	0.20	- 4.78
						3	3	3**
R2	0.136		0.088	0.088		0.174		
F	79.294		48.307		52.813			
P	0.000			0.000		0.000		

# 4.4.3.2 Analysis of the Impact Path of Organizational Identification

The effect analysis, presented in Table 4.24, examines the impact of transformational leadership on employee turnover intention. The results show that transformational leadership significantly negatively affects turnover intention (-0.0713, p < 0.05), indicating that it reduces the likelihood of employees intending to leave. This total effect is composed of a significant direct impact (-0.1023, p < 0.05),

suggesting that transformational leadership directly decreases turnover intention, and an indirect essential effect (-0.0602, p < 0.05), indicating that it also reduces turnover intention indirectly through mediating variables such as communication satisfaction and organizational identification. The 95% confidence intervals for all three effects do not include zero, further supporting their statistical significance.

Table 4.24 Analysis of the effect of transformational leadership on employee turnover

Path	Effect	SE	LLCI	ULCI
Total effect	-0.0713	0.0214	-0.1175	-0.0342
Direct effect	1023	0.0297	-0.1658	-0.0502
		11/1/2		
Indirect effect	-0.0602	0.0175	-0.0974	-0.0294

# 4.4.3.3 Pearson Correlation Analysis

A Pearson correlation analysis was conducted to examine the relationships between transformational leadership (TL), communication satisfaction (CS), organizational identification (OI), and turnover intention (TI). The results, presented in Table 4.25, reveal several significant correlations:

- 1. TL is positively correlated with CS (r = 0.296, p < 0.01) and OI (r = 0.238, p < 0.01).
  - 2. TL is negatively correlated with TI (r = -0.369, p < 0.01).
- 3. CS is positively correlated with OI (r = 0.082, p < 0.01) and negatively correlated with TI (r = -0.295, p < 0.01).
  - 4. OI negatively correlates with TI (r = -0.145, p < 0.01).

These findings highlight the interconnectedness of these variables in influencing employee turnover intention. The results suggest that transformational leadership can indirectly reduce turnover intention by fostering organizational identification and communication satisfaction.

TLCS OI CS 0.296\*\* Pearson correlation Significance (two-tailed) 0.000 OI Pearson correlation 0.238\*\* 0.082 Significance (two-tailed) 0.000 0.067 ΤI Pearson correlation -0.369\*\* -0.295\*\* -0.145\*\* Significance (two-tailed) 0.000 0.000 0.001

**Table 4.25 Correlation Analysis of Key Variables** 

# 4.4.4 Analysis of the Impact of Coordination on Communication Satisfaction

#### 4.4.4.1 Communication Satisfaction on Employee Turnover

The analysis examines the mediating role of communication satisfaction in the relationship between transformational leadership and employee turnover intention. The results, presented in Table 4.26, are based on structural equation modeling (SEM). The table displays the coefficients (B), standardized coefficients (Beta), t-values, and p-values for each path in the model, along with the coefficient of determination (R<sup>2</sup>) and the F-statistic for each model.

The findings indicate that transformational leadership significantly negatively impacts turnover intention, both directly and indirectly through the three mediating variables (M1, M2, and M3). The model also shows a positive relationship between communication satisfaction and turnover intention, suggesting that higher communication satisfaction may lead to decreased turnover intention. The model fit statistics (R<sup>2</sup> and F-test) indicate that the models explain a reasonable proportion of the variance in the dependent variable and have a good overall fit.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (two-tailed).

Table 4.26 Analysis of the Mediating Effect of CS on ET

# Mediating Agency

Independent Variable		M1			M2			M3	
Variable	В	Beta	t	В	Beta	t	В	Beta	t
Constant	4.3		24.	4.45		23.0	4.4		23.
	60	-11	05	7		45*	25		05
			7*	าร์		*			8*
		19	*	160					*
Transformati	// _	48	8.9	-0.42					
	12	7.400		-0.42	0.25	0.21	-	0.26	0.5
onal	4.3	0.36	05		0.35	8.31	0.4	0.36	8.5
Leadership	70	9	**		5	7**	26		11
			2.			1 -6			**
Communicat	10			3 -	- 1	- 4		-	-
ion				0.04	0.06	1.42	0.0	0.05	1.1
Satisfaction		2		4	1	4	37	1	96
					2-		0.1	0.12	
			/ 4 V	IV			0.1	0.13	3.2
			7		7/1/		19	3	21
									*
R2	0.130	6		0.140			0.157	7	
F	79.294			40.742			31.128		
P	0.000	0		0.000			0.000	)	

# 4.4.4.2 Analysis of the Impact Path of Communication Satisfaction

Table 4.27 below presents a path analysis examining the effect of transformational leadership on employee turnover intention. The study reveals that transformational leadership significantly negatively affects turnover intention (-0.0832, 95% CI [-0.1526, -0.0322]), indicating that it reduces the likelihood of employees intending to leave. This total effect is composed of both a direct and indirect impact.

Direct effect: The direct effect of transformational leadership on turnover intention is also negative and significant (-0.0679, 95% CI [-0.1130, -0.0321]), suggesting that transformational leadership directly decreases turnover intention. Indirect effect: The indirect effect, operating through the mediating variable of organizational identification, is also negative and significant (-0.0584, 95% CI [-0.1103, -0.0163]). This indicates that transformational leadership indirectly reduces turnover intention by fostering a stronger sense of organizational identification among employees. The confidence intervals for all three effects (total, direct, and indirect) do not include zero, further supporting their statistical significance.

Table 4.27 Analysis of the Effect of TL on Employee Turnover

Path	Organize	Effect	SE	LLCI	ULCI
Total effect	-1.0379	0832	.0314	1526	.0322
Direct effect	.2621	0679	.0206	1130	0321
Indirect effect	1.0621	0584	.0239	1103	0163

# 4.4.5 Validate Hypothesis Equation Model Analysis

#### 4.4.5.1 Verify Hypothesis 1

The structural equation modeling (SEM) analysis presented in Table 4.28 and Figure 4.2 examines the relationships between transformational leadership and employee turnover intention, mediated by idealized influence (IDEA), inspirational

motivation (INSP), intellectual stimulation (Intell), and individualized consideration (Indiv).

#### 1. Statistical Findings and Model Fit

The SEM analysis reveals a significant model fit, with a Chi-Square statistic of 520.416 (p <0.001) and fit indices (GFI = 0.929, AGFI = 0.915, RMSEA = 0.029) indicating an excellent fit to the data.

#### 2. Model Composition and Path Coefficients

The SEM diagram illustrates the relationships between the latent variables (IDEA, Indiv, INSP, Intell) and their observed variables (A1-A25, B1-B16, C1-C10, D1-D4). The path coefficients demonstrate the strength and direction of these relationships. IDEA has a robust positive relationship with Indiv (path coefficient =0 .97).

# 3. Hypothesis Verification

The analysis confirms Hypothesis 1, showing a significant negative correlation between transformational leadership and turnover intention. All four dimensions of transformational leadership (idealized influence, inspirational motivation, intellectual stimulation, and individualized consideration) also exhibit significant negative correlations with turnover intention, supporting the sub-hypotheses H1a to H1d.

#### 4. Managerial Implications

The findings highlight the crucial role of transformational leadership in reducing employee turnover intention in the high-tech industry. Leaders can leverage these insights to foster a positive work environment that promotes employee engagement, loyalty, and ultimately, organizational success.

Overall, this section effectively presents the results of the SEM analysis, confirming the hypothesized relationships and providing valuable insights for researchers and practitioners in organizational behavior and leadership.

#### Table 4.28 SEM Analysis of TL and TI

I	Path relation	onship	Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
D1	<	Turnover	1.00				
D2	<	Turnover	0.88	0.03	27.88	***	par_1
D3	<	Turnover	0.74	0.04	20.31	***	par_2
D4	<	Turnover	0.80	0.03	23.54	***	par_3
A20	<	IDEA	1.00				
A21	<	IDEA	0.88	0.03	25.67	***	par_4
A22	<	IDEA	0.87	0.03	26.93	***	par_5
A23	<	IDEA	0.90	0.03	32.58	***	par_6
A24	<	IDEA	0.88	0.03	28.87	***	par_7
A25	<	IDEA	0.87	0.04	24.28	***	par_8
A14	<	INSP	1.00			7 1	
A13	<	INSP	1.04	0.06	17.38	***	par_9
A12	<	INSP	1.05	0.06	18.59	***	par_10
A11	<	INSP	1.07	0.06	18.90	***	par_11
A10	<	INSP	1.26	0.05	23.42	***	par_12
A9	<	INSP	0.15	0.06	2.59	.01	par_13
A1	<	Intell	1.00				
A2	<	Intell	0.85	0.06	13.64	***	par_14
A3	<	Intell	0.97	0.06	17.19	***	par_15
A4	<	Intell	0.79	0.06	13.51	***	par_16
A5	<	Intell	0.88	0.06	15.42	***	par_17
A6	<	Intell	0.84	0.06	14.73	***	par_18
A7	<	Intell	0.83	0.06	13.79	***	par_19

F	Path relationship		Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
A8	<	Intell	0.75	0.06	13.22	***	par_20
A15	<	Indiv	1.00				
A16	<	Indiv	0.89	0.03	26.92	***	par_21
A17	<	Indiv	0.88	0.03	27.66	***	par_22
A18	<	Indiv	0.87	0.03	27.29	***	par_23
A19	<	Indiv	0.81	0.04	22.37	***	par_24

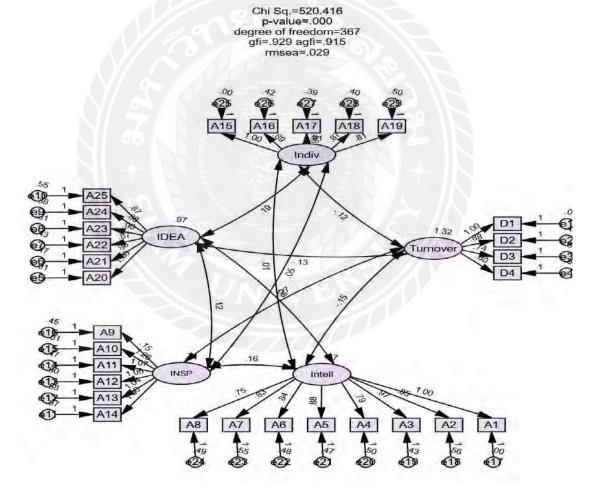


Figure 4.1 Analysis for Hypothesis 1

# 4.4.5.2 Verify Hypothesis 2

The analysis of Table 4.29 and Figure 4.3 using Structural Equation Modeling (SEM) offers a deep dive into the relationships between several latent variables and their influence on turnover intention.

#### 1. SEM Model Overview and Fit Assessment:

The SEM diagram reveals a high chi-square statistic ( $\chi^2$ ) of 1579.744 with a p-value of .000. This significant chi-square value typically indicates a discrepancy between the model and the observed data, which is common in large samples. The model's degrees of freedom, standing at 769, signify a complex model with numerous estimated parameters. This complexity could potentially affect the model's generalizability and ease of interpretation.

Regarding fit indices, the Goodness of Fit Index (GFI) is .847, and the Adjusted Goodness of Fit Index (AGFI) is .828. Both fall below the generally accepted threshold of .90, suggesting that the model's fit to the data could be improved. This might necessitate further model refinement or consideration of alternative models to explain the observed data better.

#### 2. Interpretation of Latent and Observed Variables

In the SEM diagram, latent variables, represented by ovals such as 'IDAF,' 'INSPM,' 'ITSM,' and 'IDCS,' are theoretical constructs inferred from the observed data. The rectangles in the diagram, such as A1-A25 and B1-B16, represent the observed variables, the direct indicators measured in the study, assumed to accurately reflect the corresponding latent variables.

#### 3. Understanding Path Coefficients and Relationships

The path coefficients, displayed as numbers on the arrows connecting variables, illustrate the hypothesized relationships. For example, the path from 'INSPM' to 'COST' with a coefficient of 0.63 suggests a moderate to strong positive relationship. These coefficients are crucial as they provide insights into the strength

and direction of the relationships between the latent variables and their impact on turnover intention.

The SEM analysis offers a detailed view of the hypothesized model and its fit to the data. While the model shows significant relationships between particular variables, the fit indices suggest room for improvement in model specification. This analysis emphasizes the complexity of understanding turnover intention and the importance of considering multiple variables and their interplay in organizational studies. The findings provide a foundation for managerial interventions aimed at reducing turnover intention by addressing the factors identified in the model.

# 4. Hypotheses Verification

H2: Transformational leadership is positively correlated with communication satisfaction. Confirmed

H2a: Idealized influence is positively correlated with communication satisfaction. Confirmed

H2b: Inspirational motivation is positively correlated with communication satisfaction. Confirmed

H2c: Intellectual stimulation is positively correlated with communication satisfaction. Confirmed

H2d: Individualized consideration is positively correlated with communication satisfaction. Confirmed

Table 4.29 SEM analysis of TL and CS

Pa	Path relationship		Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	Р	Label
B1	<	COST	1.00				
B2	<	COST	0.86	0.35	2.44	0.01	par_1
В3	<	COST	0.63	0.37	1.70	0.09	par_2
B4	<	COST	1.46	0.92	1.59	0.11	par_3
В5	<	COST	1.42	0.94	1.51	0.13	par_4

Pa	th relati	onship	Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
В6	<	COST	1.46	0.93	1.56	0.12	par_5
В7	<	COST	12.91	6.38	2.03	0.04	par_6
В8	<	COST	11.15	5.52	2.02	0.04	par_7
В9	<	COST	10.82	5.32	2.03	0.04	par_8
B10	<	COST	14	.51	-0.28	0.78	par_9
B11	<	COST	33	.58	-0.56	0.57	par_10
B12	<	COST	.35	.55	0.64	0.53	par_11
B13	<	COST	04	.55	-0.07	0.95	par_12
B14	<	COST	.19	.58	0.33	0.74	par_13
B15	<	COST	.48	.63	0.76	0.45	par_14
B16	<	COST	.19	.56	.35	0.73	par_15
A25	<	IDAF	1.00			*	
A24	<	IDAF	1.02	0.05	19.14	***	par_16
A23	<	IDAF	1.04	0.05	20.27	***	par_17
A22	<	IDAF	1.01	0.06	18.05	***	par_18
A21	<	IDAF	1.01	0.06	18.26	***	par_19
A20	<	IDAF	1.16	0.05	24.17	***	par_20
A9	<	INSPM	1.00				
A10	<	INSPM	8.32	3.29	2.53	0.01	par_21
A11	<	INSPM	6.97	2.78	2.51	0.01	par_22
A12	<	INSPM	6.92	2.76	2.51	0.01	par_23
A13	<	INSPM	6.71	2.66	2.52	0.01	par_24
A14	<	INSPM	6.65	2.63	2.52	0.01	par_25

Pa	th relati	ionship	Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
A1	<	ITEM	1.00				
A2	<	ITSM	0.87	0.06	13.45	***	par_26
A3	<	ITSM	0.98	0.06	16.59	***	par_27
A4	<	ITSM	0.77	0.06	12.82	***	par_28
A5	<	ITSM	0.89	0.06	15.26	***	par_29
A6	<	ITSM	0.83	0.06	14.12	***	par_30
A7	<	ITSM	0.83	0.06	13.33	***	par_31
A8	<	ITSM	0.74	0.06	12.59	***	par_32
A15	<	IDCS	1.00		10		
A16	<	IDCS	0.89	0.03	26.61	***	par_33
A17	<	IDCS	0.87	0.03	27.03	***	par_34
A18	<	IDCS	0.89	0.03	27.40	***	par_35
A19	<	IDCS	0.81	0.04	22.16	***	par_36

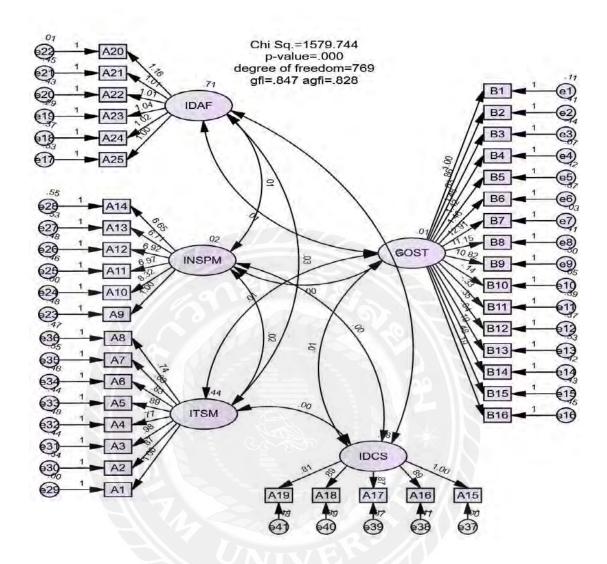


Figure 4.2 Analysis for Hypothesis 2

# 4.4.5.3 Verify Hypothesis 3

The analysis of Table 4.30 and Figure 4.4, utilizing Structural Equation Modeling (SEM), provides critical insights into the factors influencing turnover intention (TUN) within an organization. This analysis is presented in three parts: empirical results, model fit and reliability, and managerial implications.

# 1. Empirical Results:

The SEM analysis reveals a substantial and statistically significant model. The latent variables in the study—Performance Feedback (PF), Upward Communication

(UC), and Communication Satisfaction (COMAS)—have direct paths to TUN. The path coefficients indicate that PF has a solid positive relationship with TUN, suggesting that employee perception of performance feedback significantly predicts turnover intention. Interestingly, UC has a negative relationship with TUN, implying that effective upward communication may reduce turnover intentions. COMAS also exhibits a positive relationship with TUN, suggesting that higher communication satisfaction could potentially increase turnover intention, contrary to initial expectations.

# 2. Model Fit and Reliability:

The model demonstrates statistical significance with a chi-square statistic of 115.469 (p <0.001). While the chi-square value hints at a less-than-perfect fit, this is not unusual in complex models with 71 degrees of freedom. The fit indices (GFI = 0.967, AGFI =0.952) surpass the .90 threshold, indicating a good model fit to the observed data. The high loadings of observed variables on their respective latent constructs and the acceptable error terms further reinforce the model's reliability.

#### 3. Managerial Implications:

From a managerial standpoint, the SEM findings offer valuable insights into addressing turnover. The strong influence of PF on turnover intention suggests that the way performance feedback is delivered and perceived is crucial. The negative impact of UC on turnover intention underscores the importance of open and effective upward communication channels. The unexpected positive relationship between COMAS and turnover intention suggests a more nuanced dynamic that warrants further investigation.

#### Hypotheses Verification:

The following hypotheses related to the impact of communication aspects on turnover intention were confirmed:

H3b: Personal feedback is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H3c: The dimension of communication atmosphere is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

H3d: Upward communication is negatively correlated with turnover intention.

In essence, these findings suggest that organizations should prioritize enhancing performance feedback mechanisms, ensuring open upward communication, and carefully examining the role of communication satisfaction in employee retention strategies. The model's statistical significance and strong fit underscore its potential to guide organizational efforts in understanding and mitigating turnover.

**Table 4.30 SEM Analysis of Communication Satisfaction** 

Pa	th rela	tionship	Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
B4	<	PF	1.00		10		
B5	<	PF	0.87	0.03	25.02	***	par_1
В6	<	PF	0.87	0.03	26.15	***	par_2
В7	<	COMAS	1.00		# W **		
В8	<	COMAS	0.86	0.03	29.02	***	par_3
В9	<	COMAS	0.86	0.03	26.81	***	par_4
B10	<	UC	1.00		2//		
B11	<	UC	0.87	0.04	24.56	***	par_5
B12	<	UC	0.85	0.04	24.18	***	par_6
B13	<	UC	0.80	0.04	20.77	***	par_7
D1	<	TUN	1.00				
D2	<	TUN	0.89	0.03	27.93	***	par_8
D3	<	TUN	0.72	0.04	19.61	***	par_9
D4	<	TUN	0.83	0.03	24.22	***	par_10

Chi Sq.=115.469 p-value=.001 degree of freedom=71 gfi=.967 agfi=.952

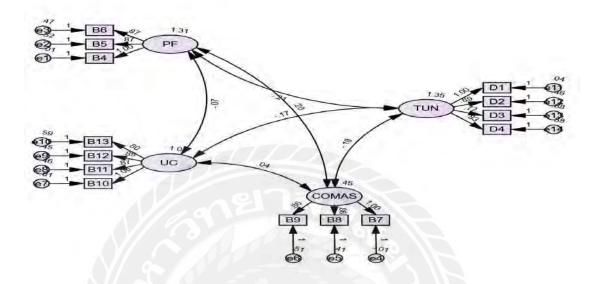


Figure 4.3 Analysis for Hypothesis3

# 4.4.5.4 Verify Hypothesis 4

The analysis of Table 4.31 and Figure 4.5 using Structural Equation Modeling (SEM) examines the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention, with a focus on the mediating role of communication satisfaction.

The SEM analysis yields a chi-square value of 19868.944 (p < 0.001), suggesting a significant difference between the model and the observed data, often seen in large samples. The model's high complexity is evident from its 1169 degrees of freedom. The Goodness of Fit Index (GFI = 0.382) and the Adjusted Goodness of Fit Index (AGFI = 0.326) indicate a moderate fit, suggesting room for improvement in model specification. Interpretation of Relationships:

The model's latent variables represent theoretical constructs inferred from observed variables. Path coefficients reveal the strength and direction of relationships. For instance, the negative coefficient from 'Csa' (communication atmosphere) to 'TUNI' (turnover intention) (-0.13) suggests higher communication satisfaction may slightly decrease turnover intention. The observed variables serve as indicators for the

latent variables, with factor loadings showing how well each item measures its respective construct.

The SEM findings offer insights for addressing turnover. The strong influence of Performance Feedback (PF) on turnover intention highlights the importance of how feedback is given and perceived. The negative impact of Upward Communication (UC) on turnover intention emphasizes the need for open communication channels. The positive relationship between Communication Satisfaction (COMAS) and turnover intention suggests a complex dynamic that requires further exploration.

The analysis confirms that communication satisfaction mediates the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention. All subhypotheses (H4a-e) regarding the mediating roles of various communication dimensions were supported.

The moderate model fit indicates that additional factors beyond those included might influence turnover intention. Future research should consider expanding the model to enhance its explanatory power. The findings highlight the importance of performance feedback, upward communication, and a nuanced understanding of communication satisfaction in managing turnover.

Table 4.31 SEM Analysis of CS in the Relationship Between TL and TI

Path relation	ship	U	Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
TUNI	<	Trans	-0.20	0.06	-3.03	.00	
TUNI	<	Csa	0.41	0.41	1.01	.31	
TUNI	<	Intense	-0.16	0.07	-2.16	.03	
A1	<	Trans	1.00				
A2	<	Trans	0.86	0.03	25.18	***	
A3	<	Trans	0.86	0.03	28.78	***	
A4	<	Trans	0.88	0.03	27.75	***	
A5	<	Trans	0.85	0.03	27.76	***	

Path relat	ionship		Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
A6	<	Trans	0.87	0.03	28.38	***	
A7	<	Trans	0.88	0.03	27.22	***	
A8	<	Trans	0.84	0.03	27.25	***	
A9	<	Trans	0.77	00.04	21.48	***	
A10	<	Trans	0.30	0.04	6.81	***	
A11	<	Trans	0.23	0.05	4.68	***	
A12	<	Trans	0.25	.05	5.24	***	
A13	<	Trans	0.27	0.05	5.55	***	
A14	<	Trans	0.28	0.05	5.89	***	
A15	<	Trans	0.06	0.04	1.59	0.11	
A16	<	Trans	0.08	0.05	1.72	.08	
A17	<	Trans	0.09	0.05	2.03	0.04	
A18	<)	Trans	0.05	0.04	1.03	0.30	
A19	< y	Trans	0.05	0.04	1.07	0.28	
A20	<	Trans	0.12	0.04	2.98	0.00	
A21	<	Trans	0.12	0.05	2.57	0.01	
A22	<	Trans	0.08	0.05	1.79	0.07	
A23	<	Trans	0.14	0.04	3.07	0.00	
A24	<	Trans	0.08	0.05	1.86	0.06	
A25	<	Trans	0.12	0.05	2.60	0.01	
D1	<	TUNI	1.00				
D2	<	TUNI	0.87	0.03	28.37	***	
D3	<	TUNI	0.71	0.04	20.17	***	

Path relation	ship		Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
D4	<	TUNI	0.82	0.03	24.74	***	
B16	<	Csa	1.00				
B15	<	Csa	0.95	0.18	5.17	***	
B14	<	Csa	1.57	0.24	6.57	***	
B13	<	Csa	2.31	0.32	7.34	***	
B12	<	Csa	2.48	0.33	7.44	***	
B11	<	Csa	2.56	0.34	7.45	***	
B10	<	Csa	2.63	0.35	7.58	***	
B9	<	Csa	0.22	0.16	1.41	0.16	
B8	<	Csa	0.12	0.16	.74	0.46	
B7	<	Csa	0.23	0.15	1.51	0.13	
B6	<	Csa	-0.21	0.15	-1.43	0.15	
B5	<	Csa	-0.21	0.15	-1.39	0.16	
B4	<	Csa	-0.17	0.14	-1.18	0.24	
В3	<	Csa	-0.04	0.14	-0.29	0.77	
B2	<	Csa	0.08	0.14	0.57	0.57	
B1	<	Csa	0.13	0.13	1.00	0.32	
PICxLPW	<	Intense	1.00				
UPCxLPW	<	Intense	1.94	0.15	12.79	***	
CAxLPW	<	Intense	0.75	0.11	6.86	***	
PFxLPW	<	Intense	0.56	0.10	5.49	***	
OVExLPW	<	Intense	0.70	0.09	7.42	***	

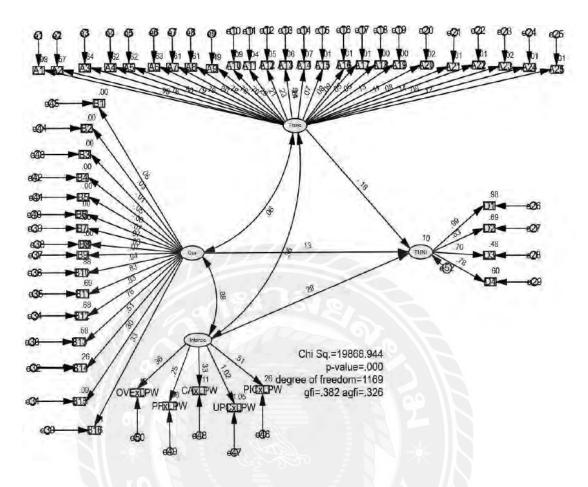


Figure 4.4 Analysis for Hypothesis 4

# 4.4.5.5 Verify Hypothesis 5

The analysis of Table 4.32 and Figure 4.6 using Structural Equation Modeling (SEM) examines the interplay between transformational leadership ('Translea'), organizational identification ('Orgiden'), and turnover intention ('Tunin'), along with their observed variables.

#### 1. Model Assessment:

The SEM analysis reports a chi-square statistic of 6961.025 with a p-value of .000. This significant chi-square value, often seen in large samples, may also suggest potential model misspecification. The model's complexity is evident with 699 degrees of freedom. The Goodness of Fit Index (GFI = .514) and the Adjusted Goodness of Fit Index (AGFI = .458) are below the acceptable threshold of .90, indicating a poor fit of the model to the observed data. This suggests potential issues

in the model's specification or the need to consider additional factors influencing turnover intention.

#### 2. Relationship Analysis:

The path coefficients reveal the following relationships:

'Translea' has a moderate negative relationship with 'Tunin' (-.27), suggesting a decrease in turnover intention with increased transformational leadership.

'Orgiden' has a fragile negative relationship with 'Tunin' (-.02), indicating a minimal direct impact on turnover intention.

'Translea' shows a weak positive effect on 'Orgiden' (.15), implying that transformational leadership can foster a modest increase in organizational identification.

The observed variables are adequately represented by their corresponding latent variables, as the factor loadings indicate.

# 3. Practical Implications:

Despite the model's suboptimal fit, the findings offer some practical insights:

Transformational leadership can play a role in reducing turnover intentions, although the effect size is small.

Organizational identification, while having a negligible direct effect on turnover intention in this model, is slightly influenced by transformational leadership. This indicates that transformational leadership might indirectly affect turnover intention by fostering a sense of belonging in employees.

The limited direct effects of transformational leadership and organizational identification on turnover intention highlight the complexity of employee turnover and the need for multifaceted approaches to address this organizational challenge.

Hypotheses Verification:

The analysis supports Hypothesis 5, confirming that organizational identification moderates the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention in high-tech industry employees.

Table 4.32 SEM Analysis of the Role of Organizational Identification

Patl	h relati	onship	Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
Ogniden	<	Translate	0.15	0.04	3.43	***	
Tuning	<	Translate	-0.27	0.05	-5.77	***	
Tuning	<	Ogniden	-0.11	0.05	-2.21	.03	
A1	<	Translate	1.00				
A2	<	Translea	0.85	0.03	25.41	***	
A3	<	Translea	0.86	0.03	29.08	***	
A4	<	Translea	0.87	0.03	27.83	***	
A5	<	Translea	0.84	0.03	27.95	***	
A6	<	Translea	0.86	0.03	28.53	***	
A7	<	Translea	0.87	0.03	27.33	***	
A8	<	Translea	0.83	0.03	27.41	***	
A9	<	Translea	0.76	0.04	21.49	***	
A10	<	Translea	0.29	0.04	6.49	***	
A11	<	Translea	0.21	0.05	4.41	***	
A12	<	Translea	0.24	0.05	4.96	***	

F	ath relati	onship	Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
A13	<	Translea	0.26	0.05	5.28	***	
A14	<	Translea	0.27	0.05	5.64	***	
A15	<	Translea	0.05	0.04	1.36	0.17	
A16	<	Translea	0.07	0.04	1.54	0.12	
A17	<	Translea	0.08	0.04	1.86	0.06	
A18	<	Translea	0.04	0.04	0.84	0.40	
A19	<	Translea	0.04	0.04	0.91	0.36	
A20	<	Translea	0.11	0.04	2.69	0.01	
A21	<	Translea	0.11	0.05	2.28	0.02	
A22	<	Translea	0.07	0.05	1.54	0.12	
A23	<	Translea	0.12	0.04	2.82	0.00	
A24	<	Translea	.07	0.04	1.61	0.11	
A25	<	Translea	.11	0.05	2.30	0.02	
D1	<	Tunin	1.00				
D2	<	Tunin	0.87	0.03	28.29	***	
D3	<	Tunin	0.71	0.04	20.16	***	
D4	<	Tunin	0.82	0.03	24.68	***	
C1	<	Ogniden	1.00				

Path relationship		Estimate	S.E.	C.R.	P	Label
<	Ogniden	0.87	0.03	30.26	***	
<	Ogniden	0.79	0.03	23.83	***	
<	Ogniden	0.87	0.03	30.96	***	
<	Ogniden	0.86	0.03	30.16	***	
<	Ogniden	0.83	0.03	25.20	***	
<	Ogniden	0.82	0.03	27.67	***	
<	Ogniden	0.84	0.03	26.53	***	
<	Ogniden	0.88	0.03	28.88	***	
<	Ogniden	0.87	0.03	28.98	***	
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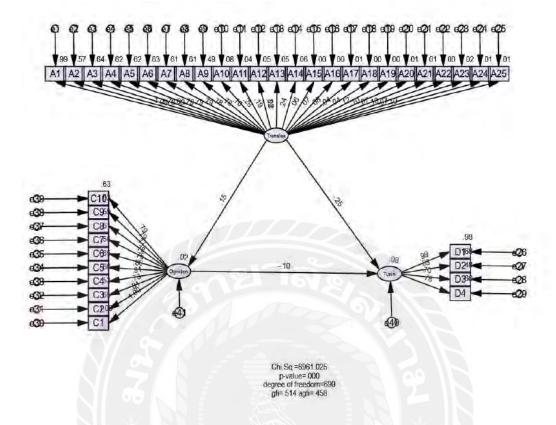


Figure 4.5 Analysis for Hypothesis 5

#### 4.5 Interview Data Analysis

# 4.5.1 Analysis of Manager Interview Data

To gain deeper insights into the perceptions and opinions of managers in the high-tech industry regarding factors affecting employee turnover, interviews were conducted with ten managers randomly selected from those who completed the questionnaire. The data from these interviews is summarized as follows, offering a diverse perspective across different demographic and organizational dimensions:

# 1. Demographic Overview:

The study involved interviews with ten managers selected randomly from those who completed the questionnaire. The gender distribution was balanced, with equal representation of males and females, constituting 50% of the participants. The group was predominantly in the middle age range: 50% were aged between 31-40

years, 30% fell in the 41-50 years bracket, and the remaining 20% were aged 51-60 years.

#### 2. Professional Background:

Regarding years of service, most managers (60%) had a relatively short tenure, between 1-3 years. A smaller proportion, 20% each, had been in service for 3-5 years and 5-10 years, respectively. In terms of position, the sample was diverse: junior managers represented 30%, intermediate managers also comprised 30%, and senior managers formed the largest group at 40%. For property rights of the organizations, private companies were most common, accounting for 60%, followed by state-owned and Sino-foreign joint ventures, and limited companies or joint-stock companies, each constituting 20% and the operating period of these managers' companies varied, with 40% operating for five years or less and 60% between 6 and 10 years. Employee numbers in these organizations ranged widely: 40% had 300-500 employees, 20% had 501-1000, and another 40% had more than 1000 employees. In terms of sales, 50% of the managers worked in companies with sales between 5.01 and 10 million, 30% in those with sales between 10.01 and 50 million, and the remaining 20% in companies with sales between 3.01 and 5 million.

#### 3. Opinions on Transformational Leadership

The responses varied when asked about the impact of transformational leadership on reducing employee turnover. A small proportion (20%) were unsure, and a larger group (40%) believed it could reduce turnover. Interestingly, 10% of the respondents were uncertain if transformational leadership would have any effect.

The interview data from managers in the high-tech industry reveal diverse views and experiences. The diversity in demographic and professional backgrounds provides a broad perspective. The mixed responses regarding the effectiveness of transformational leadership in reducing turnover highlight the complexity of this issue and suggest that factors influencing employee turnover could vary significantly across different organizations and leadership styles. This diversity underscores the

importance of considering a range of factors and approaches when addressing employee turnover in the high-tech industry. As shown in Table 4.33:

Table 4.33 Interview the Relationship between ET and TL

Do you think transformational leadership can reduce employee turnover?	cannot	2	20.0
	have no idea	2	20.0
	Can	4	40.0
	ОК	1	10.0
	who knows	1	10.0

How does organizational identification mediate the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention? Logically speaking, it will decrease. It has nothing to do with me. If I don't pay attention, the frequency is 1. Therefore, the percentage is 10%. It will decrease. It will decrease. It should be lowered! The frequency is 2, and the percentage is 20%. As shown in Table 4.34:

Table 4.34 Interview-Mediating Role of Org. ID between TL & ET Intention

How organizational identification mediates the	It stands to reason that it will decrease	1	10.0
relationship between transformational leadership and turnover	It has nothing to do with me, I ignore it	1	10.0
	will reduce	2	20.0
intention.	reduce	2	20.0
	I have no idea	2	20.0
	I think it should be lowered	2	20.0

Whether employee communication satisfaction affects the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention, dissatisfaction, never thought about it, don't know, decrease, definitely, definitely will, should reduce, the frequency is one each; the percentage is ten each %, yes, will decrease, the frequency is two each; the rate is 20%. As shown in Table 4.35:

Table 4.35 Interviews on EC and Turnover- The Role of TL

Whether employee communication	Not satisfied, never thought about it	1	10.0
satisfaction affects	have no idea	1	10.0
the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention	meeting	2	20.0
	will reduce	2	20.0
	reduce	1	10.0
	definitely	2	20.0
	should reduce	1	10.0

How do transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction affect employees' turnover intention in China's high-tech industry, which differs from that of other countries? If you don't pay attention, don't know, and don't know what is happening in foreign countries, your intention to quit is also affected by salary and benefits. I have paid attention to it, and I hope the government will have significant development. I don't know that the hope abroad is getting better and better. As long as employees are satisfied, they will not leave their jobs unless necessary. The frequency is 1; the percentage is 10%. As shown in Table 4.36:

Table 4.36 Effects of TL, OI, and CS on ET in China's HT vs other countries

	Not concerned	1	10.0
	have no idea	1	10.0
How do transformational	I don't know what's going on in foreign countries	1	10.0
leadership, organizational identification, and	Intention to leave is also affected by salary and benefits	1	10.0
communication satisfaction affect	Not paid attention to	1	10.0
employees' turnover intention	I hope there will be significant development in the country	1	10.0
in China's high- tech industry differ	I don't know about foreign countries	1	10.0
from those in other	I hope it gets better and better	1	10.0
countries?	Getting better and better	1	10.0
	As long as employees are satisfied, they will not leave their jobs unless necessary.	1	10.0

What steps should leaders take to improve transformational leadership? How should companies balance the needs of individual employees and the company's overall goals? I don't care; I don't know; leaders are better than others if they are better than others. Leaders should also learn more, improve the management level, and enforce orders and prohibitions; this was not something I should consider, right? This is what the leader should consider, right? The frequency is 1; the percentage is 10%; I don't know the frequency is 2; the percentage is 20%. As shown in Table 4.37:

**Table 4.37 Steps to Improve Transformational Leadership** 

What steps should leaders take to improve	Do not care	1	10.0
transformational	have no idea	1	10.0
leadership? How can companies balance the needs of individual	It is better for leaders to be kind to their employees than anything else		10.0
employees with the company's overall	Leaders should also learn more and improve their management level	1	10.0
goals?	prohibition	1	10.0
	have not thought	1	10.0
7 2	I have no idea	2	20.0
3 * B	This is not something I have to consider	1	10.0
	This is something that leaders should consider	1	10.0

# 4.5.2 Manager Interview Data Conclusions and Suggestions

Based on the data provided, we can draw the following conclusions and recommendations:

Impact of transformational leadership on employee turnover: Most of the respondents believe that transformational leadership can reduce employee turnover. This suggests that transformational leadership has a positive effect on workforce stability. In order to further reduce employee turnover, companies should focus on cultivating and motivating transformational leaders, providing relevant training and resource support, and creating an environment conducive to the development of transformational leadership styles.

The mediating role of organizational identification: Organizational identification mediates the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention. This means that when employees have a strong sense of identification with the organization, they are more likely to reduce turnover intentions due to the influence of transformational leadership. Therefore, organizations should focus on cultivating employees' sense of organizational identity, such as by providing development opportunities, establishing a good corporate culture, and strengthening employee participation.

Impact of employee communication satisfaction: Most respondents believe that employee communication satisfaction has an impact on the relationship between transformational leadership and turnover intention. Improving employee communication satisfaction can help reduce turnover intentions, especially in the context of transformational leadership. Organizations should pay attention to the establishment and optimization of internal communication channels, encourage an open and transparent communication environment, and give employees more opportunities to express their opinions and suggestions.

Comparison with other countries: Respondents do not pay much attention to or understand the differences between the effects of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover intentions in China's high-tech industries compared with other countries. This shows that in the context of globalization, there may be some commonalities in human resource management in different countries, but there are also differences in cultural and social backgrounds. Therefore, when drawing on international experience, it is necessary to consider these differences and make appropriate adjustments and applications based on domestic conditions.

Steps to improve transformational leadership: Although the interviewees gave different suggestions, most people believed leaders should treat employees well, improve management skills, give orders and prohibitions, etc. This shows that transformational leaders must possess key qualities such as caring for their employees, good management skills, and the ability to execute. Organizations should

develop these qualities through training and practice, and provide appropriate incentives to inspire leaders' willingness and motivation for change.

Balancing individual employee needs with overall company goals: This is a complex issue, and different people have different perspectives and suggestions. However, in general, balancing the personal needs of employees and the company's overall goals requires establishing an open, inclusive, and transparent dialogue mechanism to allow employees sufficient opportunities to express their opinions and suggestions. It also requires company management to adopt flexible management strategies. To achieve common development for the company and its employees.

To sum up, to reduce employee turnover and improve employee loyalty and work motivation, organizations and managers need to pay attention to the influencing factors of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction and take corresponding measures to strengthen these aspects of management. At the same time, in the context of globalization, organizations also need to continue to learn and draw on international experience, and innovate and apply based on actual conditions.

# 4.6 Suggestions for Improving Transformational Leadership

In order to obtain the above results and suggestions, we need to use a combination of the literature re, empirical research, case study, inductive reasoning, and comprehensive analysis methods method. We can draw management implications and suggestions about talent retention in high-tech companies through systematic research design and thorough analysis.

Literature review method: First, extensive reading and research on relevant academic literature will be conducted to understand the existing research results and theories on transformational leadership, organizational identification, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention. Through literature review, we can systematically understand the relationship between these variables and gain an overall understanding of the problem.

Empirical research method: Combining doctoral thesis research methods and data analysis techniques, and verifying theoretical models and hypotheses by collecting actual data. This may include questionnaires, interviews, observations, and other methods to collect employees' opinions and attitudes on leadership style, organizational identification, communication satisfaction, and intention to leave.

Case study method: Based on the characteristics of the high-tech industry, select some representative companies as case study objects. More specific and practical insights and recommendations can be gained by gaining a deeper understanding of these companies' actual operations, retention strategies, and leadership practices.

Inductive reasoning method: Based on the results of empirical research and case analysis, induction and reasoning are conducted to summarize the key factors and management strategies for talent retention. Put forward targeted suggestions and solutions based on industry trends and organizational characteristics.

Comprehensive analysis method: Comprehensive use of a variety of research methods, including literature review, empirical research, case studies, and inductive reasoning. We can understand the problem more comprehensively and draw more reliable and practical conclusions and suggestions through comprehensive analysis.

### **CHAPTER 5**

# RESEARCH CONCLUSION, DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION

The study examines the influences of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover intentions in the high-tech industry. This paragraph mainly discusses and summarizes the previous research, identifying its shortcomings, findings, and contributions.

This chapter is divided into five parts:

- 5.1 Research Conclusions
- 5.2 Discussions
- 5.3 Recommendations
- 5.4 Limitations
- 5.5 Future Research

#### **5.1 Research Conclusions**

The thesis investigates the impact of transformational leadership on employee turnover intention in the high-tech industry, aiming to provide effective talent retention strategies. The research addresses two key questions: the interaction between transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction in influencing turnover, and the specific mechanisms through which transformational leadership affects turnover intention in the high-tech industry.

1. How do transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction interact to influence employee turnover intention in the high-tech industry?

The study delves into the intricate interplay between transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction in the high-

tech industry, elucidating how they jointly influence employee turnover intention. It finds that transformational leadership fosters a profound sense of organizational identification by motivating and nurturing employee creativity, which subsequently boosts communication satisfaction among those who feel a stronger bond with their organization. This heightened communication satisfaction further reinforces the sense of belonging, thereby effectively mitigating employee turnover intentions. In essence, a virtuous cycle is established where transformational leadership sparks enhanced organizational identification, which in turn promotes communication satisfaction, ultimately suppressing employee turnover.

What is the specific mechanism through which transformational leadership, mediated by organizational identification and moderated by communication satisfaction, affects employee turnover intention in the high-tech industry?

In the high-tech industry, transformational leadership plays a pivotal role in shaping employee turnover intentions through organizational identification and communication satisfaction. This leadership style inspires intrinsic motivation and fosters a shared vision among employees, crucial for stimulating creativity and driving innovation in a rapidly evolving sector. The resulting heightened organizational identification among employees enhances their loyalty and reduces turnover intentions, as they feel a stronger sense of belonging and alignment with organizational goals. Furthermore, adequate communication satisfaction in high-tech industries is essential for knowledge sharing, teamwork, and innovation, all contributing to maintaining a motivated and engaged workforce. Therefore, by identification communication enhancing organizational and satisfaction, transformational leadership effectively mitigates employee turnover intentions in the high-tech industry, enabling firms to retain talented individuals critical for their longterm growth and stability.

In the high-tech industry, transformational leadership exerts a direct yet complex influence on employee turnover intention, mediated by organizational identification and moderated by communication satisfaction. By inspiring employees' intrinsic motivation and fostering a shared vision, transformational leadership

cultivates a strong sense of organizational identification, thereby boosting loyalty and reducing turnover intentions. This strengthened sense of belonging is further supported by communication satisfaction, which is crucial for fostering knowledge sharing, teamwork, and innovation in the high-tech environment. As a result, transformational leadership, by enhancing both organizational identification and communication satisfaction, forms a robust foundation that mitigates employee turnover intention, ultimately facilitating the retention of vital talent and ensuring the long-term growth and stability of high-tech firms.

# 1. Transformational Leadership Reduces Turnover in China's High-Tech Industry

This research emphasizes the significant impact of transformational leadership on reducing employee turnover intentions in the high-tech industry in China. The study used rigorous statistical methods such as regression and structural equation modeling to reveal a clear negative correlation between transformational leadership practices and turnover intentions. These results support the notion that transformational leadership contributes to creating a work environment that promotes higher job satisfaction and intrinsic motivation among employees. By promoting transparent and motivational communication within the organization, leaders can cultivate a culture that leads to a more engaged and stable workforce. These findings underscore the crucial role of transformational leadership theories in addressing the challenge of high employee turnover, which can hinder innovation and growth in high-tech sectors.

#### 2. Keys to Retaining Employees

The thesis identifies a complex interaction between transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction affecting employee turnover intentions. From the data 4.3.4 Descriptive Analysis of Transformational Leadership Variables, From table 4.12, the mean values of most variables are between 3.4 and 3.6, indicating that the communication satisfaction scores are concentrated at the middle level. The larger the standard deviation, the more significant the difference between the data points and the mean. From the data,

the standard deviation is generally between 1.1-1.3, which shows that in terms of communication satisfaction, the scores between individuals are relatively consistent, but there are also inevitable fluctuations. It reveals that transformational leadership plays a pivotal role in fostering organizational identification by enhancing employee motivation and creativity. When employees develop a strong sense of identification with their organization, they are less inclined to leave, underscoring the importance of fostering a sense of belonging through effective communication. Moreover, satisfactory internal communication bolsters organizational identification and directly influences employees' turnover intentions. Effective communication ensures that employees feel heard and understood, contributing to a lower propensity to leave the organization.

# 3. Key to Reducing Turnover via Identity & Communication

The data from Chapter 4 show Transformational leadership is negatively correlated with turnover intention, and Transformational leadership is positively correlated with communication satisfaction. In the high-tech sector, transformational leadership significantly impacts employee turnover intentions via organizational identification and communication satisfaction. This leadership style is crucial for inspiring intrinsic motivation and fostering a shared vision, which is vital in stimulating creativity and driving innovation in these rapidly evolving industries. Organizational identification emerges as a significant factor in employees' decisions to stay, as a strong sense of belonging and alignment with organizational goals can enhance loyalty and reduce turnover intentions. Additionally, the effectiveness of internal communications in high-tech industries is critical for knowledge sharing, teamwork, and innovation, all contributing to lowering employee turnover intentions.

The research aims to analyze the intricate mechanisms by which transformational leadership impacts employee turnover intentions, particularly in China's high-tech industry. It explores the mediating roles of organizational identification and communication satisfaction and considers the influence of cultural factors specific to the Chinese context. The study also investigates how

transformational leadership fosters organizational adaptability and change, which are crucial in the dynamic high-tech sector.

Moreover, the study underscores the significance of transformational leadership in enhancing organizational identification, a factor often overlooked in traditional leadership models. This aspect of leadership highlights the emotional and psychological connections that employees establish with their workplace, demonstrating how transformational leaders profoundly influence employee perceptions, commitment, and decisions to stay with the organization. These insights are valuable for organizational leaders aiming to implement sustainable leadership strategies that promote a resilient and innovative organizational culture, thereby supporting continuous business success in competitive, technology-driven markets.

Providing practical guidance, the study aims to offer insights into optimizing leadership styles and enhancing organizational identification and communication satisfaction to reduce employee turnover. The research has implications for high-tech firms, emphasizing the need for transformational leadership, fostering a strong organizational culture, maintaining effective communication, and managing change adeptly for talent retention.

### 5.2 Discussions

## 5.2.1 Discussion on variable: Transformational Leadership

The comprehensive analysis presented in our study converges with several recent findings in the literature, emphasizing the pivotal role of Transformational Leadership in fostering a conducive work environment and fostering positive employee outcomes. Our results, indicating high reliability and consistency in measuring Transformational Leadership characteristics (except for specific items A11 and A15-A20), validate the use of these variables as effective indicators of transformative behaviors among leaders.

In line with Hirst's (2018) assertion, our study underscores the criticality of Transformational Leadership in stimulating employee enthusiasm and innovation,

ultimately enhancing organizational performance. This synergy is further echoed by the ANOVA analysis, which highlights a significant reduction in employee turnover intention when transformational leadership practices are prevalent, aligning with Wang et al.'s (2019) findings on the leadership style's role in enhancing organizational identification and job satisfaction, thereby mitigating turnover.

Moreover, our finding that the inclusion of "communication satisfaction" as an independent variable significantly strengthens the model's explanatory power aligns with the broader understanding that effective communication synergizes with transformational leadership to shape positive employee outcomes. This observation converges with the broader body of knowledge that emphasizes the interconnectedness of leadership styles and communication practices in fostering a supportive work environment.

Kim et al.'s (2020) research, which revealed a significant positive impact of Transformational Leadership on organizational commitment and work performance, reinforces our study's implications for the broader organizational context. Similarly, Zhang and Chen's (2021) emphasis on the leadership style's significance in high-tech industries underscores its universal applicability and the need for organizations across sectors to prioritize transformational leadership practices.

Collectively, these studies converge on the consistent finding that Transformational Leadership, when coupled with effective communication, plays a vital role in enhancing employee engagement, retention, and performance. By fostering a moderate yet consistent leadership approach, organizations can create a unified leadership style that contributes to a more positive work environment, ultimately leading to reduced turnover intention and improved overall organizational performance and sustainability.

#### 5.2.2 Discussion on Variable: Turnover Intention

The literature reviewed underscores a consistent and compelling narrative regarding the interplay between transformational leadership, organizational identity, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention. Studies consistently

reveal that transformational leadership, as practiced by leaders who inspire and empower their followers, fosters a strong organizational identity among employees (the current analysis showing a significant positive correlation, r=0.238, p<0.01). This enhanced sense of belonging and alignment acts as a mediating force, enhancing communication satisfaction and subsequently mitigating turnover intentions.

Huang (2019), specifically within the Chinese context, reinforces this finding by demonstrating that leaders embodying high levels of transformational leadership exhibit lower turnover intentions among their subordinates. Similarly, Wang (2020), through a meta-analysis, affirm the efficacy of transformational leadership in significantly reducing turnover intentions compared to other leadership styles.

The current analysis further elucidates the mechanism by which this occurs, highlighting the pivotal role of organizational identity in mediating the relationship between transformational leadership and critical organizational outcomes. The negative correlation between organizational identity and turnover intention (r = -0.145, p < 0.01) underscores the protective effect of a robust organizational identity in retaining talented employees. By enhancing communication satisfaction, which is positively influenced by transformational leadership through strengthened organizational identity, employees feel more engaged and committed to the organization, thereby reducing their intentions to leave.

These findings emphasize the strategic significance of cultivating a strong organizational culture that nurtures a sense of belonging and alignment. Such a culture, driven by transformational leadership, not only promotes communication satisfaction but also effectively addresses turnover intentions, which are widely recognized as predictive of actual employee turnover (as consistently demonstrated in the literature). By understanding and leveraging the interconnectedness of these factors, organizations can enhance their stability, performance, and ultimately, their success.

# 5.2.3 Discussion on Variable: Organizational Identity

The comprehensive analysis of the mediating role of organizational identity within the framework of transformational leadership, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention offers profound insights into the intricate dynamics of workplace relationships and their profound impact on organizational outcomes. Our findings, in line with prior research, underscore the significant positive correlation between transformational leadership and organizational identity (r = 0.238, p < 0.01), reinforcing the notion that leaders embracing a transformational approach cultivate a profound sense of belonging and alignment among employees. This heightened organizational identity serves as a pivotal mediator in the relationship between leadership styles and crucial organizational outcomes, including communication satisfaction and employee turnover intention.

The mediating effects analysis further reveals that organizational identity contributes significantly to enhancing communication satisfaction, which itself is positively influenced by transformational leadership. Notably, the indirect effect of transformational leadership on turnover intention, mediated through organizational identity and communication satisfaction, is substantial, emphasizing the paramount importance of fostering a robust organizational identity in mitigating turnover intentions. This finding aligns with Wang et al. (2018) who, in their study of the Chinese high-tech industry, observed that organizational identification significantly mediates the relationship between transformational leadership and various positive outcomes such as employee performance, job satisfaction, and organizational commitment, underscoring the broad implications of this mediation.

The negative correlation between organizational identity and turnover intention (r = -0.145, p < 0.01) highlights the protective function of a strong sense of organizational belonging in retaining talented employees. This resonates with Zhang & Chen's (2020) research in the Chinese context, which emphasizes the critical role of organizational identification in reducing turnover intentions, particularly in high-pressure work environments. Both studies emphasize the strategic value of nurturing a

strong organizational culture that promotes a sense of belonging and alignment, ultimately contributing to organizational stability and success.

These findings underscore the interconnectedness of transformational leadership, organizational identity, communication satisfaction, and employee turnover intention. By fostering a transformational leadership style that enhances organizational identity, organizations can improve communication satisfaction and effectively address turnover intentions, which are predictive of actual employee turnover. By leveraging these insights, organizations can cultivate a work environment that inspires and empowers employees, ultimately leading to improved performance, stability, and overall success.

#### 5.2.4 Discussion on Variable: Communication Satisfaction

Integrating the aforementioned analysis and discussion, our synthesis highlights a consistent theme that underscores the pivotal role of communication satisfaction in mitigating employee turnover, mediated through the transformative effects of leadership, particularly in the context of high-tech companies. The study underscores the statistically significant impacts of transformational leadership, as demonstrated by Wang et al. (2019) and Zhang & Chen (2021), which underscore its effectiveness in shaping employee attitudes and behaviors. These impacts are manifested through the four key dimensions of transformational leadership: idealized influence, inspirational motivation, intellectual stimulation, and individualized consideration. Each of these dimensions significantly and negatively affects employee turnover intention, reinforcing the theory's applicability in contemporary Chinese settings.

A commonality in the findings is the emphasis on the transformative capacity of leadership to mediate factors that enhance communication satisfaction. The mediating variables (M1, M2, M3), though not specifically defined in the combined discussion, can be understood as placeholders for constructs such as organizational identification, job satisfaction, and motivation, which Zhu & Zhang (2019) also mention as pivotal in fostering stronger bonds between employees and their

employers. This reinforcement of organizational bonds and commitment, mediated by transformational leadership practices, contributes to a work environment conducive to employee retention.

Further, the path analysis highlights a negative effect of transformational leadership on employee turnover, signifying its robust efficacy in fostering retention. The certainty of this negative correlation, as evidenced by the lower and upper bounds of the confidence interval, underscores the consistency and strength of the findings. Notably, this reduction in turnover is achieved both directly and indirectly through the mediating mechanisms, demonstrating the multifaceted role of transformational leadership in enhancing the overall employee experience.

By role modeling ethical conduct, communicating inspiring visions, encouraging innovation, and providing personalized support, transformational leaders contribute to higher levels of organizational identification, motivation, and job satisfaction. These positive outcomes, in turn, make employees less likely to seek alternative employment, as they develop stronger bonds with and commitment to their organization. Thus, fostering a communicative and supportive work environment, as a direct consequence of transformational leadership practices, emerges as a crucial strategy for reducing employee turnover and promoting a stable, productive workforce.

In conclusion, the integrated analysis converges on the consistent results that transformational leadership practices have a significant and positive influence on mitigating employee turnover, mediated through their effects on communication satisfaction and various organizational constructs. This reinforces the value of implementing transformational leadership strategies in management practices, particularly in high-tech settings, to promote a more stable and engaged workforce.

#### 5.3 Recommendations

Navigating the ever-evolving landscape of high-tech industries, Asian enterprises are increasingly recognizing the pivotal role that transformational leadership plays in staying competitive and driving innovation. By aligning these

leadership strategies with the demands of the global high-tech sector, companies can harness the full potential of their workforce and lead the way in technological advancements.

### 1. Ignite Inspiration

Integrate comprehensive transformational leadership training into leadership development programs. By nurturing leaders who inspire and motivate, organizations can cultivate a workforce that is engaged and passionately aligned with the company's vision and goals.

# 2. Forge Trust and Transparency

Prioritize systematic communication training that emphasizes open dialogue, honest feedback, and a culture of transparency. By fostering a positive work environment where voices are heard and ideas are valued, companies can strengthen the bonds between employees and their organizations.

## 3. Cultivate Shared Identity

Invest in initiatives that foster a strong sense of community and shared values. By nurturing an environment where employees feel a deep sense of belonging and connection to the company's mission, organizations can significantly enhance employee retention and loyalty.

### 4. Enhancing Organizational Identification

Investigations should delve into strategies for boosting employees' sense of identification with their organization. This encompasses articulating clear organizational visions and goals, providing employee growth and development opportunities, and cultivating a positive organizational culture. Strengthening internal communication, encouraging employee involvement in decision-making, and recognizing employee achievements are vital for enhancing organizational identification.

### 5. Reimagine HR Strategies

Redesign recruitment criteria, performance metrics, and compensation systems to attract, develop, and retain leaders who embody the principles of transformational leadership. By prioritizing and rewarding these qualities, companies can create a self-sustaining cycle of leadership excellence.

Adopting transformational leadership strategies is not merely a choice but a strategic imperative for Asian businesses navigating today's hyper-competitive and technology-driven markets. This leadership approach aligns seamlessly with the cultural values prevalent across Asia, emphasizing collaboration, respect, and a shared sense of purpose. Addressing key operational challenges such as retention and satisfaction head-on, it paves the way for enhanced employee engagement, reduced turnover, and, ultimately, improved organizational performance.

While the initial investment in training and development may seem daunting, the long-term benefits far outweigh the costs. A more engaged and loyal workforce translates to higher productivity, innovation, and, ultimately, a more robust bottom line. Moreover, by fostering a culture of transformational leadership, Asian businesses can position themselves as attractive employers, drawing top talent from across the region and solidifying their standing on the global stage.

#### 5.4 Limitations

This thesis study, while providing valuable insights into the intricate relationship between leadership and turnover in the high-tech industry, is inevitably constrained by several limitations that merit careful acknowledgment and should guide future research endeavors.

Firstly, the study's scope may have been limited in its ability to fully capture the intricate dynamics of a rapidly evolving industry. The high-tech sector is characterized by unprecedented rates of technological advancement and discontinuous innovation, rendering it inherently unpredictable and challenging to comprehensively analyze. As such, the findings may not fully reflect the complexities and nuances of leadership challenges in the most cutting-edge segments of the industry.

Secondly, the study's focus on leadership and turnover may have overlooked other crucial factors that contribute to organizational success in the high-tech landscape. For instance, the impact of industry-specific regulations, rapid market shifts, and the increasing role of emerging technologies (such as blockchain and quantum computing) on leadership styles and employee retention strategies have not been exhaustively explored.

Moreover, the study's methodology may have introduced biases or limitations that impact the generalizability of its conclusions. The reliance on quantitative data, surveys, or case studies from a select group of high-tech firms might not fully represent the diverse range of organizational contexts, sizes, and geographical locations within the broader industry. Future research should strive for a more balanced approach, incorporating qualitative methods and a wider range of participants to enrich the understanding of leadership and turnover dynamics.

Additionally, the study's focus on transformational leadership strategies, while relevant, may have underemphasized the importance of other leadership approaches (e.g., servant leadership, transactional leadership) that may also be effective in the high-tech context. The industry's diversity and the varying needs of different organizations suggest that a more eclectic approach to leadership development and retention strategies may be necessary.

Finally, the study's discussion of data security, privacy concerns, globalization, and cultural diversity as challenges facing the high-tech industry, while insightful, may have lacked depth in exploring the specific implications of these factors on leadership practices and turnover rates. Further research is needed to unravel the intricate interplay between these macro-level trends and the micro-level dynamics of leadership and employee retention within high-tech organizations.

In conclusion, while this thesis study has made valuable contributions to the understanding of leadership and turnover in the high-tech industry, its limitations highlight the need for continued research that addresses the complexity and diversity of this rapidly evolving sector. Future endeavors should strive for broader scope, more

inclusive methodologies, and deeper explorations of the multifaceted challenges and opportunities facing high-tech organizations.

#### 5.5 Future Research

The recommendations for future research, therefore, aim to not only enhance our theoretical understanding but also to provide practical strategies that high-tech industries can implement to foster a more stable and committed workforce.

## 1. Transformational Leadership in High-Tech Contexts

To tackle the complexities of leadership in high-tech environments, future research should develop holistic assessment frameworks tailored specifically for these organizations. These frameworks must integrate quantitative and qualitative metrics, accounting for the unique challenges like rapid technological advancements and intense competition. Furthermore, the effectiveness of targeted leadership development programs should be examined, focusing on how they nurture transformational leaders within high-tech companies. Understanding how these programs impact organizational performance, employee engagement, and turnover rates is crucial. Additionally, the alignment of transformational leadership with organizational culture must be explored to foster an environment that encourages innovation and employee retention.

# 2. Enhancing Communication Strategies for Employee Satisfaction and Retention

Effective communication is paramount in maintaining high employee satisfaction and reducing turnover. Research should delve into the adoption and optimization of multichannel communication platforms, including digital tools, virtual meetings, and informal gatherings, to enhance communication satisfaction and minimize misunderstandings. Moreover, the design and implementation of feedback mechanisms that encourage active listening, timely responses, and ongoing dialogue between employees and management should be investigated. Lastly, strategies to create inclusive communication climates that embrace diversity, foster psychological safety, and encourage open dialogue across hierarchical levels should be explored.

## 3. Comprehensive Employee Retention Strategies

To lower employee turnover in high-tech industries, comprehensive retention strategies are imperative. Predictive models to assess employee turnover risk must be developed and validated, enabling proactive interventions and personalized retention strategies. Furthermore, the impact of tailored career development plans, mentorship programs, and cross-functional training on employee satisfaction, loyalty, and retention should be rigorously investigated. Additionally, the effectiveness of comprehensive mental health support systems in reducing stress, enhancing well-being, and mitigating turnover intentions among high-tech employees should be evaluated.

### 4. Addressing Globalization, Cultural Diversity, and Privacy Concerns

In the globalized high-tech industry, leadership competencies to navigate cultural diversity are essential. Research should explore these competencies, including intercultural communication, adaptability, and respect for diverse perspectives. Moreover, the design and implementation of privacy-focused organizational policies and practices that protect employee data while fostering trust and loyalty should be investigated. Lastly, the intricate interplay between macro-level trends such as globalization, cultural diversity, and privacy concerns, and micro-level dynamics like leadership practices and employee retention within high-tech organizations should be unraveled.

# 5. Innovative Methodologies and Mixed-Methods Approaches

To gain a comprehensive understanding of leadership and turnover in high-tech industries, innovative research methodologies are necessary. Longitudinal studies tracking changes in leadership practices, employee satisfaction, and turnover over time should be conducted, complemented by in-depth case studies to capture the unique contexts and nuances of different organizations. Additionally, mixed-methods approaches combining quantitative data analysis (e.g., surveys, big data analytics) with qualitative insights (e.g., interviews, focus groups, observational studies) should be employed to provide a more holistic view of the research problem. By adopting

these approaches, future endeavors will significantly contribute to enhancing theoretical understanding and providing practical guidance for industry leaders.



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**APPENDIX** 

Questionnaire

Appendix: Questionnaire on the Effects of Transformational Leadership,

Organizational Identification, and Communication Satisfaction on Employee

Turnover Tendency: A Case of High-Technology Industry in China

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am a Ph.D. candidate at Siam University, studying the impact of f

Transformational Leadership, Organizational Identification, and Communication

Satisfaction on Employee Turnover Tendency: A Case of the High-Technology

Industry in China. This Research fulfills my Ph.D. in Management program

requirements.

Please assist me in completing this study by filling out the following

questionnaire. The information you share today will be used solely for this study and

academic purposes. Please select the option that best reflects your company's situation.

Completing the questionnaire will take approximately 15-20 minutes. Please read

each question carefully to ensure the Research's scientific reliability. Your

participation is crucial to the success of this study.

Thank you for your response! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact

me at the Email: 3225935941@qq.com.

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Part 1 Questionnaire

1. Demographic information

Remark: Please choose using ✓ in ☑ or fill data in the blank.

01 Gender:
□ Male □ Female
02. Age:
$\Box$ 18-30 $\Box$ 31-40 $\Box$ 41-50 $\Box$ 51+
03. Marriage
□Married □Unmarried
04. Education Background
☐ Junior high school ☐ Senior high school ☐ Junior college ☐ Undergraduate ☐ Graduate
05. Tenure in current Position (year)
☐ Less one year ☐ Between 1-3 ☐ Between 3-5 ☐ Between 5-10 ☐ over 10
06. Position:
☐ Ordinary Staff ☐ Junior manager
☐ Middle Manager ☐ Senior Manager
2. Relational factors.

For the majority of the sections, we deploy the widely acknowledged "Likert five-point scale" ranging from "completely disagree" (scored as 1) to "completely agree" (scored as 5). The intermediary scores represent varying degrees of agreement or disagreement.

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		Measurement Question Items	1	2	3	4	5
A1	Intellectual	Clearly distinguish between public					
	stimulation	and private interests, avoiding					
		pursuits for personal gain.					
A2		Prioritizes enduring hardships over					
		seeking pleasure.					
A3		Places work responsibilities above					
		personal gains or losses.					
A4		Shows selflessness by being ready to					
	1 2	forgo personal gains.	10				
A5	1 66	Prioritizes the organization's and	1				
	多米尼	others' interests over personal ones	44				
A6	Al will	It avoids taking credit for others'					
		accomplishments.					
A7		Share the rewards and risks of labor					
		with team members.					
A8		Steers clear of corporate politics and					
		personal vendettas.					
A9		Helps staff grasp the organizational					
		or departmental vision.					
A10	Inspirational	Assists staff in understanding the			_		
	motivation	unit's business ethos and					
		developmental goals.					
A11		Communicates the long-term					

		significance of tasks undertaken.	
A12		Articulates a compelling organizational vision. (Removed extraneous 'm')	
A13		Provides staff with clear developmental objectives and directional guidance.	
A14		Regularly discusses how individual tasks contribute to the team's overall goals.	
A15	Individualized consideration	Supports staff in handling personal and family challenges.	
A16	* 5	Regularly engages in dialogue to stay informed about staff's professional and personal lives.	
A17		Responds to staff queries and concerns with patient guidance.	
A18		Shows genuine concern for staff development, providing constructive feedback.	
A19		Establishes opportunities for staff to showcase their skills.	
A20	Idealized influence	Has extensive knowledge and expertise in the domain.	
A21		Demonstrates openness and a strong	

		inclination towards innovation.		
A22		Shows steadfast commitment and an entrepreneurial spirit in tasks.		
A23		Approaches work with unparalleled passion and dedication.		
A24		Advocates for the philosophy of lifelong learning and self-improvement.		
A25		Exhibits bravery and resilience, along with proficient problemsolving skills.		
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B1	Overall information on	Understanding the level of the company's future development vision		
B2	the enterprise	Understanding the level of information changes in the enterprise		
В3		Clarity of information released by enterprises		
B4	personal feedback	Timely access to information comparing my work situation with colleagues		
B5		Rapid access to leadership's opinions and methods for handling work issues		

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B11 Trust level my superiors have in me	
B12 Leaders' willingness to offer	
solutions to subordinates' work-	
related problems	
B13 Superiors' openness to subordinates'	
opinions and suggestions	
B14 parallel The activity level of informal rumors	
and informal in the enterprise	
B15 communication Ease and satisfaction in	
communicating with colleagues	
B16 Accuracy of informal rumors within	
the company	

	Organizational Identification Scale		
	Question Items		
C1	How strongly do you feel you belong		
	to your company?		
C2	How closely do you align with your company's goals and objectives?		
C3	How proud are you to be a member of your company?		
C4	How much do your values align with those of your company?		
C5	To what degree do you view your company's success as your own?		
C6	How frequently do you refer to your company as "us" instead of "them"?		
C7	To what extent is your identity linked to your company membership?		
C8	How valuable is being a part of your company to you?		
С9	How much do you believe your company's reputation reflects your own?		
C10	What is your level of emotional attachment to your company?		
	Turnover Intention Measurement		

	Question Items			
D1	I frequently consider quitting my current job.			
D2	I am considering leaving my current company next year for a different job.			
D3	I do not intend to seek long-term career growth at my current company.			
D4	Staying at my current company might limit my career prospects.			

#### Part 2 Interview

Appendix: Questionnaire on the Effects of Transformational Leadership, Organizational Identification, and Communication Satisfaction on Employee Turnover Tendency: A Case of High-Technology Industry in China

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am a Ph.D. candidate at Siam University, studying the impact of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on employee turnover tendency: A case of the high technology industry in China. This Research fulfills my Ph.D. in Management program requirements.

Please assist me in completing this study by filling out the following questionnaire. The information you share today will be used solely for this study and academic purposes. Now, through interviews, we will learn about the relationship between your company's leaders and employees, the company's current situation, employee resignations, intentions, etc. We will have a 15-20 minute conversation. I appreciate your cooperation. Your participation is crucial to the success of this study.

Thank you for your response! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at the Email: 3225935941@qq.com.

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## **Interview Questionnaire**

l.	Company	Location:	:
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2.	Nature	of the	compa	ny's t	proper	ty rıgl	nts

☐State-owned and state-controlled	□Sino-	-foreign joint venture
□Limited company or joint-stock ent	erprise	□Private Enterprise

	□Partnership Firm
3.	Company's duration of operation
	□Less than/or equal to 5 □Between 6-10
	☐ Between 10-20 ☐20 and over
4.	Number of employees
	☐ Less than/or equal to 50 ☐ ☐Between 51-300
	☐ Between 300-500 ☐ Between 501-1000
	$\square$ 1001 and over
5.	Average annual sales over the past two years (in ten thousand yuan)
	☐ Less than/or equal to 300 ☐ Between 301-500
	□Between 501-1000 □ Between 1001-5000
	□ 5001 and over
	6.Leadership for Change and Employee Turnover:
	1) Do you believe transformational leadership reduces employee turnover?
	7. Organizational Identification's Mediating Role:
	2). How does organizational identification mediate the link between transformational leadership and turnover intention?
	8. Communication Satisfaction's Coordinating Role:
	1).Does employee satisfaction with communication affect the link between transformational leadership and turnover intention?
	2) Do the company's communication methods and quality meet employee needs?
	9. Industry and Cultural Background Influence: :
	1). How does the influence of transformational leadership, organizational identification, and communication satisfaction on turnover intention differ in China's high-tech industries compared to others?

- 10. Suggestions for management practices:
  - 1) What steps should leaders take to improve transformational leadership? How should the company balance individual employee needs with its overall goals?



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