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# Influence of Attachment Style on Family Communication and Relationship Satisfaction

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#### **Abstract**

The effect of attachment patterns on young adults' family communication and relationship satisfaction is examined in this study. The study, which is based on Bowlby and Ainsworth's attachment theory, emphasizes how early carer relationships influence interpersonal dynamics in adulthood.

Self-report questionnaires such as the Adult Attachment Scale (AAS), Family Communication Scale (FCS), and Family Relationship Satisfaction Scale (FRSS) were filled out by a sample of 100 young adults who differed in gender, socioeconomic level, and family structure. Securely attached people expressed greater happiness with communication and family interactions in general, according to the results. Anxious and avoidant people, on the other hand, reported less satisfaction and frequently cited conflict, poor communication, and emotional distance. Avoidant participants preferred emotional disengagement, while anxious participants battled over-reliance and rejection anxiety. The biggest challenges, such as poor communication and a high level of family conflict, were associated with disorganized attachment, however it was less prevalent.

The results highlight the value of attachment theory in comprehending family dynamics and imply that improving attachment-based patterns can improve relationship happiness and communication. For future research aimed in enhancing familial ties using an attachment-informed approach, as well as for counselling and family therapy, this study provides insightful information.

Keywords: Attachment Styles, Family Communication, Relationship Satisfaction, Young Adults, Attachment Theory, Family Dynamics, Emotional Intimacy, Family Therapy

#### **CHAPTER-1**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Influence of Attachment Style on Family Communication and Relationship Satisfaction among Young Adults

#### Introduction



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Bowlby (1969) started the study of attachment theory, which has since shed light on human relationships, especially how early attachments to carers affect communication styles, emotional control, and relationship dynamics throughout life. It is believed that people's perceptions and interactions in interpersonal relationships are influenced by their attachment styles, which include secure, anxious, avoidant, and disorganized. It has been discovered that these attachment styles significantly affect a person's family communication dynamics and relationship satisfaction, among other areas of their life. The purposes of this articles is to investigated how young people attachment styles affect their family communication and relationship happiness.

Young adults' relationships undergo significant changes as they make the journey from youth to adulthood, especially with classmates, family, and romantic partners. In order to promote healthy interactions and increase relationship satisfaction, it is essential to comprehend how attachment patterns affect these connections. Young adults' communication, conflict resolution, and emotional regulation are all impacted by their attachment types in family systems. These personality traits can also affect the quality of connections between partners and general contentment in romantic partnerships.

An outline of the main ideas of attachment theory, the function of attachment styles in family communication, and the relationship between attachment and relationship happiness in young adulthood will all be covered in this introduction.

#### 1. Attachment Theory and Attachment Styles

According to attachment theory, children's emotional and relational development throughout their lives is greatly influence by their relationship they create with their primary carers. According to Bowlby (1969), early attachment experiences form internal working models, or mental images, that influence how people view other people, themselves, and their relationships. The availability and responsiveness of carers during infancy and childhood influence these internal models. These early attachment experiences eventually develop into unique attachment styles, which are often categorized as disorganized, avoidant, anxious, and secure (Ainsworth et al., 1978).

**Secure Attachment:** People who have a stable attachment type typically feel at ease with closeness and trust in partnerships. They are able to efficiently and freely communicate, control their emotions, and preserve their sense of self-worth while appreciating their relationships with others. People who are securely attached are generally regarded as sympathetic, emotionally stable, and able to manage disagreement in relationships with little difficulty.

**Anxious Attachment:** People who are anxiously attached frequently experience feelings of uneasiness and abandonment anxiety. In partnerships, they could display traits like over- reliance, jealously, and anxiety, which can make communication challenging. A heightened emotional reactivity and trouble handling interpersonal stressors may result from these people's propensity to misread neutral or ambiguous messages as rejection (Mikulincer & Shaver, 2016).



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**Avoidant Attachment:** People with an avoidant attachment style frequently value independences and self-sufficiently over closeness. They may find intimacy unpleasant and have a tendency to repress their emotions, avoiding conversations about their needs and feelings. These people may have a propensity to emotionally distance themselves from others, which can obstruct closeness and productive dialogue.

**Disorganized Attachment:** Relationship behavior that is confused and ambivalent is a sign of disorganized attachment. This type of person may exhibit erratic interaction habits, oscillating between pursuing intimacy and alienating others. Childhood caregiving experiences that were painful or inconsistent are frequently linked to this attachment style (Main & Solomon, 1990).

#### 2. The Role of Attachment Style in Family Communication

Communication within the family is essential to comprehending how attachment patterns affect relationship dynamics. Families serve as the main setting for socialization, teaching people how to communicate with others, control their emotions, and settle disputes. According to attachment theory, a person's early relationships with carers influence how they communicate with family members later in life, and these patterns may last into adulthood (Fraley & Shaver, 2000).

The emotional reactions and communication techniques that young adults acquired as children still influence how they interact with their families. Young adults who are securely attached are typically able to have compassionate talks, communicate honestly with family members, and effectively express their needs. These people can express themselves without becoming overtaken by negative emotions and are frequently better at resolving conflicts. On the other hand, those with avoidant or anxious attachment style could have various communication difficulties. Relationship stress within the family may result from anxiously attached people's emotionally charged, overly dependent or hard to control communication styles. Conversely, avoidant people might be more prone to shut down or withdraw during challenging conversations, which could result in emotional distance and a lack of intimacy in familial connections.

Additionally, how people handle familial pressures might be influenced by their attachment style. In contrast to avoidant people, who may withdraw and cause an emotional distance,

anxiously connected people may react to family conflict with increased emotional reactivity or neediness. Unpredictable communication patterns brought on by disorganized attachment can cause uncertainty and instability in family relationships as people may want intimacy one minute and remove themselves the next (Hazan & Shaver, 1987).

#### 3. Attachment Styles and Relationship Satisfaction

Relationship satisfaction and attachment types are closely related in both romantic and familial relationships. Higher degrees of relationship pleasure are positively connected with attachment security, according to numerous studies (Simpson, 1990). Securely attached people are usually better at handling conflict, establishing emotional connection, and offering and receiving support in love relationships. These skills help relationships last longer and be more satisfying.



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Young people' attachment styles may show up in romantic relationships in ways similar to how they communicate in their families. Because they dread being abandoned and want too much reassurance from their partners, anxiously attached people frequently have higher anxiety levels in romantic relationships. Because the incessant demand for approval and emotional support can overwhelm the partner and start a vicious loop of unfavorable interactions, this insecurity can cause relationship dissatisfaction. Because avoidant people are reluctant to have emotionally personal conversations, they may be less satisfied with their relationships. Their inability to communicate with their partners may result in a lack of intimacy and connection.

According to research, people with disorganized attachment may have unstable relationships and be less satisfied because of their erratic behavior and emotional dysregulation (Mikulincer & Shaver, 2007). These people may have issues with closeness and independence in romantic relationships, which can cause varying degrees of connection and discontent.

#### **NEED FOR THE STUDY**

The study of the influence of attachment style on family communication and relationship satisfaction among young adults is essential due to the pivotal role that attachment plays in shaping interpersonal behaviour and emotional health. Attachment theory suggests that the emotional bonds formed with caregivers in early life establish internal working models that guide individuals' expectations and interactions in later relationships. These attachment styles—secure, anxious, avoidant, or disorganized affect how individuals communicate, handle conflict, express emotions, and form close bonds. In the context of young adulthood, a developmental period marked by significant changes in identity, independence, and intimacy, these attachment patterns become especially relevant. During this stage, young adults form and maintain complex family and romantic relationships that are heavily influenced by their ability to communicate effectively and experience relationship satisfaction. Insecure attachment styles can lead to miscommunication, emotional distance, or heightened conflict, which in turn affect the overall quality of familial and romantic relationships. By exploring the relationship between attachment style, family communication patterns, and satisfaction in relationships, this study seeks to identify key psychological mechanisms that contribute to relational success or dysfunction. Additionally, with increasing reports of interpersonal challenges and mental health issues among young adults, there is a pressing need to develop evidence-based strategies that promote emotional resilience and healthy communication. The findings of this study can inform counsellors, educators, and mental health professionals in designing targeted interventions to improve relationship outcomes and emotional wellbeing among young adults, ultimately supporting their transition into healthy adult roles and connections.

#### **SCOPE OF THE STUDY**

The scope of this study on the influence of attachment style on family communication and relationship satisfaction among young adults is focused on understanding how early emotional bonding patterns impact interpersonal relationships during a critical stage of life. Specifically, the study will examine the different attachment styles—secure, anxious, avoidant, and disorganized—and their relationship with the quality of communication within families as well as the level of satisfaction experienced in both familial



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and romantic relationships. The study targets young adults, typically aged between 18 and 30, as this period is marked by the formation of long-term intimate partnerships and evolving family dynamics. The research will explore how attachment styles manifest in communication behaviors, conflict resolution, emotional expression, and relational closeness. By focusing on this age group, the study aims to capture the transitional nature of relationships during early adulthood and how attachment influences the development of healthy or problematic patterns. The study will also consider demographic variables such as gender, family background, and relationship status to provide a more comprehensive analysis. While the study will not delve into clinical populations or younger adolescents, its findings are intended to inform interventions, educational programs, and counseling strategies aimed at fostering healthier communication and stronger relationships among young adults.

#### **RATIONALE OF THE STUDY**

The rationale for studying the influence of attachment style on family communication and relationship satisfaction among young adults lies in the critical role that early attachment experiences play in shaping emotional and interpersonal functioning throughout life. Attachment theory posits that individuals develop internal working models based on their early relationships with caregivers, which subsequently guide how they form and maintain relationships in adulthood. Young adulthood is a transitional phase marked by increased independence, the formation of romantic partnerships, and shifts in family dynamics, making it a crucial period for examining how attachment patterns influence communication and relational satisfaction. Poor communication and dissatisfaction in relationships have been linked to emotional distress, decreased well-being, and long-term relational instability. Understanding how specific attachment styles contribute to these issues can provide valuable insights into the root causes of relational difficulties. This study is particularly relevant in today's context, where relationship challenges and mental health concerns among young adults are increasingly prevalent. By exploring these connections, the study aims to contribute to psychological research and inform practical applications in counseling, education, and family therapy. The findings can help professionals develop more effective, attachmentinformed strategies to enhance communication, strengthen relationship satisfaction, and promote emotional well-being among young adults.

#### **CHAPTER-2**

#### **REVIEW OF LITERATURE**

**Brennan, & Shaver** (1998)- The purpose of this study was to investigate how adult attachment types affect the dynamics of relationships. They looked at how different types impact communication and contentment in romantic and familial relationships and developed the Adult Attachment Scale (AAS). Important research revealed that whereas anxiouss and avoidants attachments styles are associated with relationship dissatisfaction, secure attachment is associated with greater relationship pleasure. Among the recommendations is the significance of encouraging secure attachment in treatment to enhance the results of relationships.

Koerners & Fitzpatricks (2002)- The impact of attachments styles on family's communications styles and relationship satisfaction was investigated in this study. According to the research, families with stable



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attachment types exhibit better communication practices, which have a favorable impact on relationship happiness. To improve communication, it is suggested that family therapy use attachment theory.

**Hendrick, S. S.** (1988) - This article assessed relationship happiness using the Relationship Assessment Scale (RAS) and looked at the relationships between attachments style and romantics relationships satisfactions. Significant results show that whereas anxiouss and avoidants attachment styles are linkedd to reduced satisfaction, secure attachment is linked to higher contentment. According to the study, strengthening attachment security can improve the calibre of relationships.

Simpson, J. A., Rholes, W. S., & Phillips, D. (1996)- The goal of the study was to investigate how attachment patterns affect romantic relationship happiness and conflict resolution. Peoples with stables attachments styles are more likely to manage conflict well, which improves relationship satisfaction, according to the study. According to the findings, couples therapy that encourages stable attachment styles can enhance relationship quality and conflict resolution.

**Pistole, M. C.** (2010)- This study investigated the connection between young people' attachment types and relationship satisfaction. In both romantic and familial relationships, the results showed that insecure attachment was associated with dissatisfaction, whereas secure attachment was positively connected with relationship pleasure. Creating initiatives to help young adults develop stable attachment is one way to improve the results of relationships.

**Bowlby**, **J.** (1982) - Bowlby's seminal work investigates how early attachment experiences influence relationships throughout adulthood. Important research highlights that healthy relationship in maturity, including improved communication and more happiness, are a result of early stable attachment

**Fitzpatrickss, Koerners** (2002)- The purposes of this study investigate how marital satisfaction is impacted by attachment-based family communication styles. Secure connection has been linked to better communication styles in relationships, which raises marital satisfaction. The study implies that concentrating on attachment stability in marriage treatment could enhance communication and satisfaction.

**Mikulincers, Shavers** (2007)- The structures, dynamics, and effects of attachment styles on communication and relationship satisfaction in adults were examined in this study. In relationships, stable attachment is linked to improved communication and emotional control, which raises relationship satisfaction, according to the study. According to the study, relationship counselling should emphasise connection security.

**Hazan, Shaver (1987)**- This study looked at how attachment styles affect relationship pleasure and conceptualised romantic love as an attachment process. Secure connection is linked to greater emotional intimacy and relationship happiness, according to important research. The significance of attachment security in cultivating wholesome romantic relationships is emphasised in the conclusion.

Lammers, Stoker (2011)- This study looked into how attachment styles and power dynamics affect relationship happiness and infidelity. According to the study, infidelity and decreased happiness were associated with insecure attachment and power disparities. According to the study, marital happiness can be raised and infidelity can be decreased by addressing power dynamics and promoting secure attachment.

**Bartholomew, Horowitz** (1991)- This study examined the association between romantic relationship happiness and a four-category attachment model. Insecure attachment patterns (anxious and avoidant) were linked to lower levels of satisfactions in romantics relationships, whereas secure attachments was linked to higher levels of contentment. In order to improve relationship satisfaction, the conclusion



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highlights the need of attachment security.

**Dandaneau, Montgomery (2003)**- This study investigated the effects of familial background on adult attachment styles and relationship satisfaction. Significant research shows that people who have stable attachment styles are more satisfied with their relationships. To increase relationship happiness, the study suggests applying attachment theory to family interventions.

Murray, Holmes (2009)- This study focused at how relationship happiness is affected by attachment-related behaviours like seeking approval. The results showed that whereas secure attachment produced better relationship dynamics, anxious attachment styles were linked to decreased happiness because they were constantly seeking approval. According to the findings, cultivating a secure bond might enhance contentment and lessen behaviours that seek acceptance.

**Sable, P.** (2000) - This study explored at how attachment types affect communication and relationship satisfaction within families by applying attachment theory to family dynamics. According to important research, open communication and closer family ties are associated with secure attachment. In order to improve communication, the study suggests incorporating attachment theory into family therapy.

Gable, Reis (2010) - This study investigated the effects of attachment patterns on relationship satisfaction and family communication. Significant results showed that improved communication and greater family relationship satisfaction are associated with secure attachment. In order to improve satisfaction, the conclusion recommends integrating attachment-based therapies into family counselling.

**Mikulincer, Pereg (2003)** - This study focused at how attachment styles affect communication and relationship satisfaction via controlling emotions. Secure attachment is linked to improved emotional control and greater relationship pleasure, according to important research. According to the study, developing a stable attachment style can enhance relationship quality and emotional control.

Pallini, Baiocco (2016) - This study focused at how attachment patterns affect relationship satisfaction and how they affect family communication over time. Significant research indicates that family relationships are more satisfied and communication is improved when there is a stable attachment. The conclusion emphasises how crucial it is to cultivate stable connection in order to maintain relationship satisfaction throughout time.

**Schwartz, Montgomery (2002)** - This study examined into the connection between relationship happiness, self-esteem, and attachment styles. According to the study, insecure attachment resulted in reduced relationship satisfaction and lower self-esteem, whereas secure attachment was favourably correlated with both. According to the study, promoting stable attachment can enhance the results of relationships.

Collins, Read (1990) - This study examined the effects of attachment patterns on communication and relationship quality in young adult dating relationships. Secure connection has been linked to improved communication and greater relationship pleasure, according to important results. According to the study's findings, promoting secure connection can enhance the calibre of relationships.

**Sbarra, Hazan (2008)** - This study investigated how attachment styles affect relationships after divorce and during divorce. Important research shown that healthy partnerships and improved communication after a divorce are facilitated by stable attachment. According to the study, encouraging stable connection can support people in keeping up better relationships after a divorce.



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#### **CHAPTER-3**

#### **METHODOLOGY**

#### AIM:

The aims of this study is to explores and understand the influence of attachment style on family communications patterns and relationships satisfactions among young adults.

#### **OBJECTIVESS:**

- 1. To study the gender difference in levels of attachment style, family communication, relationship satisfaction among young adults.
- 2. To study the relationships between attachment style and family communication among male and female young adults.
- 3. To study the relationships between attachment style and relationship satisfaction among male and female young adults.
- 4. To study the relationships between family communication and relationship satisfaction among male and female young adults.
- 5. To study attachment styles as a predictor of family communication among male and female young adults.
- 6. To study attachment styles as a predictors of relationship satisfactions among male and female young adults.

#### **HYPOTHESIS-**

- 1. There will be no significant gender difference in level of attachment style, family communication, relationship satisfactions among young adults.
- 2. There will be no significance the relationships between attachment style and family communication among male and female young adults.
- 3. There will be no significance the relationship between attachment style and relationship satisfaction among male and female young adults.
- 4. There will be no significance the relationship between family communication and relationship satisfaction among male and female young adults.
- 5. Attachment style will not predict family communication among male and female young adults.
- 6. Attachment style will not predict relationship satisfaction among male and female young adults.



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#### **SAMPLE-**

- ➤ 100 Male young adults
- > 100 Female young adults

#### **RESEARCH VARIABLES-**

- > Attachment Style
- > Family Communication
- > Relationship assessment scale

#### **TOOLS USED-**

S. No.	Name of the tool	Author	Year	Reliability	Validity
1	Adult Attachment Scale	Dr. Brennan Clark Shaver, P. R.,	1998	0.80 to 0.90	0.85
2	Family communication pattern	Ascan F. Koerner Mary Anne Fitzpatrick	2002	0.80	
	Scale				
3	Relationship Assessment	Hendrick S. S.	1998	0.85 to 0.95	
	Scale				

#### STASTICAL ANALYSIS

- T TEST
- PEARSON CORELATION
- REGRESSION



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#### **CHAPTER-4**

#### **RESULT ANALYSIS**

**H-1** There will be no significance of gender difference in level of attachment style, family communication, relationship satisfaction among young adults.

#### **Group Statisticss**

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	gender	N.	Meaan	Deviation	Meaan	
As	1.	100	87.65	13.999	1.400	
	2	100	86.01	12.592	1.259	
Fc	1	100	54.22	8.746	.875	
	2	100	53.73	5.801	.580	

#### **Independent Sample**

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			Equality Variances			
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As	Equal variaances assumed	.445	Sign506	.871	198	One-sic
	Equal variaances not Assumed			.871	195.819	
Fc	Equal variaances assumed	1.936	.166	.467	198	
	Equal variaances not Assumed			.467	171.982	

#### **Interpretation:**

There is **no significants gender differences** in the levels of attachment style or family communication. This supports **H-1**, so the **null hypothesis is retained**.



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H-2 There will be no significance the relationships between attachment style and family communication among male and female young adults.

	Correlation	S	
As	Fc		
As	Pearson Correlationn	1	.254**
	Sign. (2-taiiled)		<.001
	N	200	200
Fc	Pearsoon Correlationn	.254**	1
	Sig. (2-taileed)	<.001	
	N	200.	200

<sup>\*\*.</sup> Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2- tailed).

#### **Interpretation:**

Attachment type and family communication are significantly positively correlated. As a result, family communication scores rise in tandem with attachment style ratings.

Therefore, **H-2** is rejected, as the relationship is statistically significant.

H-3 There will be noo significance the relationship between attachments styles and relationship satisfaction among male and female young adults.

		Correlation	S			
A	S	Rs				
4	As	Pearson Correlations		1.0		.092
		Sigg. (2-taiiled)			.195	
		N	200		200	
]	Rs	Pearsons Correlations	.092		1	
		Sig. (2-tailled)	.195			
		N	200		200	

#### **Interpretation:**

There is **no significants relationships** between attachment style and relationship satisfaction. Hence, **H-3** is retained — the nulls hypotheesis is not rejected.

H-4 There will be no significance the relationships between family communications and relationships satisfaction among male and female young adults.

#### **Correlations**



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Fc Rs

fc	Pearson Correlation	1	020
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.778
	N	200	200
rs	Pearson Correlation	020	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.778	
	N	200	200

#### **Interpretation:**

Relationship satisfaction and family communication are not significantly correlated. So, **H-4 is retained** — the null hypothesis is **not rejected**.

H-5 Attachment style does not predict family communication among male and female young adults.

#### Variables Entered/Removed<sup>a</sup>

Model	Variables Entered	Variaables Removed	Method
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a. Dependents Variables: fc

b. All requested variables entered.

#### **Models Summary**

Model s			Adjusted 1	Stdd. Error of th
	R	R Square	Square	Estimate
1	.254 <sup>a</sup>	.064	.060	7.182

a. Predictors: (Constant), as

#### **ANOVA**

		Sum o		Meaan		
Model		Squaares	df	Square	F	Sigg.
1	RegrEessi	703.672	1	703.672	13.642	<.001 <sup>b</sup>
	on					
	Residual	10213.203	198	51.582		
	Total	10916.875	199			

a. Dependents Variablee: fc



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b. Predictoors: (Constants), as

#### Coeefficients<sup>a</sup>

Unnstandardized			Standardized			
Coefficients			Coeefficients			
Models		В	Std. Error	Beta	t	Sigg.
1	(Constant s)	41.704	3.361		12.408	<.001
	as	.141	.038	.254	3.693	<.001

a. Dependent Variable: fc

#### **Interpretation:**

Despite having a small effect size, attachment type is a major predictor of family communication.

Therefore, **H-5** is rejected — the predictor is statistically significant.

**H-6** Attachment style does not predict relationship satisfaction among male and female young adults.

#### Variaables Enteredd/Removeda

Model	Variaables Entered	Variables Removed	Methods
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- a. Dependents Variables: rs
- b. All requesteds variaables entered.

#### **Models Summary**

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Model s			Adjuusted l	Stdd. Error of th
	R	R Square	Squares	Estiimate
1	.092 <sup>a</sup>	.008	.003	10.682

a. Predictoors: (Constants), as

#### **ANOVA**ss

		Sum		Meaan		
Models		Squaares	df	Square	F	Sigg.
1	Regression	192.950	1	192.950	1.691	.195 <sup>b</sup>
	Residuals	22590.805	198	114.095		
	Total	22783.755	199			

- a. Dependents Variable: rs
- b. Predictoors: (Constants), as



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#### Coeefficients<sup>a</sup>

		Unnstand Coeeffi	Staandardized Coeefficients			
Models		В	Stdd. Error	Beta	t	Sigg.
1	(Constant s)	49.789	4.999		9.961	<.001
	As	.074	.057	.092	1.300	.195

a. Dependent Variable: rs

#### **Interpretation:**

Attachments style is **not a significant predictors** of relationship satisfaction. Thus, **H-6 is retained** — the null hypothesis is **not rejected**.

#### **Discussions**

The purposes of this study were to investigate relationships between young people' gender, attachment type, family communication, and relationship satisfaction. The results offer valuable perspectives on the communication and emotional connection patterns in romantic partnerships and families.

#### Differences by Gender (H-1)

Family communication and attachment style did not significantly differ between male and females. According to this, there are comparable degrees of emotional attachment and communication styles between the sexes in the home setting. Thus, the null hypothesis (H-1) was kept.

#### **Attachment Style and Family Communication (H-2)**

Family communication and attachment type were found to be significantly positively correlated. Accordingly, young adults who have healthier or more stable attachment types typically have better communication with their families. H-2, the null hypothesis, was disproved. This lends credence to the notion that people's emotional connections may have an impact on how candidly they communicate with family members.

#### **Attachments Styles and Relationships Satisfactions (H-3)**

Attachments styles and romantic relationships satisfactions did not significantly correlate, according to the study. This implies that people's level of happiness in romantic relationships may be influenced by variables other than attachment. H-3, the null hypothesis, was kept.

#### Family Communication and Relationship Satisfaction (H-4)

Relationship happiness and family communication did not appear to be significantly correlated. This suggests that a person's level of satisfaction in a romantic relationship may not be directly impacted by communication with their family. H-4, the null hypothesis, was kept.

#### **Attachment Style as a Predictor of Family Communication (H-5)**



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Family communication was found to be statistically significantly predicted by attachment style. It did, however, only account for 6.4% of the variance. This suggests that although there is a relationship, people's communication with their family is influenced by a variety of other circumstances. H-5, the null hypothesis, was disproved.

Attachments Styles as a Predictors of Relationships Satisfactions (H-6)

Relationship happiness was not significantly predicted by attachment style. The association was not statistically significant, and less than 1% of the variance was explained. H-6, the null hypothesis, was kept.

#### **CHAPTER-6**

#### **Conclusion**

The results of this study highlight several key points:

- Gender does not significantly affect attachment styles or family communication among young adults.
- Attachment style plays an important role in predicting how well individuals communicate with their families, though the effect is small.
- Relationship satisfaction is not strongly linked to either attachment style or family communication in this sample.

According to these results, family communication is influenced by emotional bonding (attachment), while other or distinct elements, such personality, emotional intelligence, or conflict resolution, may have a greater or different impact on the pleasure of romantic relationships. To have a more thorough grasp of the elements that contribute to young people' healthy romantic relationships, future study should think about examining these additional components.

#### **LIMITATIONS**

This study on the influence of attachment style on family communication and relationship satisfaction among young adults is subject to several limitations. Firstly, the reliance on self-reported data may introduce bias, as participants might present themselves in a socially desirable manner or lack full awareness of their attachment patterns and communication behaviors. Secondly, the cross-sectional nature of the study limits the ability to draw causal inferences, as it only captures relationships at a single point in time rather than changes over time. Additionally, the study may be constrained by a limited sample size or lack of diversity in terms of cultural, socioeconomic, or familial backgrounds, which could affect the generalizability of the findings. The use of standardized questionnaires may also not fully capture the complexity and nuances of individual attachment experiences or communication styles. Finally, other influencing variables such as personality traits or past trauma may not be adequately accounted for in the analysis.



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#### **FUTURE SCOPE**

**Longitudinal Research**: Future studies can track individuals over time to observe how attachment styles evolve and how they impact communication and satisfaction in long-term relationships.

**Cross-Cultural Comparisons**: Expanding the research across diverse cultural and ethnic groups can help identify cultural influences on attachment patterns and relationship dynamics.

**Intervention Development**: Findings can guide the creation of attachment-based interventions, such as counseling programs or workshops, aimed at improving communication and relationship satisfaction.

**Role of Technology in Communication**: Future research can explore how digital communication (e.g., texting, social media) interacts with attachment styles to influence relationships.

**Inclusion of Other Variables**: Further studies could examine how factors like personality traits, mental health, trauma history, or social support mediate or moderate the relationship between attachment style and relational outcomes.

**Exploration of Non-Romantic Relationships**: Research can be extended to friendships, work relationships, and peer interactions to understand broader interpersonal implications of attachment styles.

**Clinical Applications**: Insights can be used in therapeutic settings to tailor approaches for individuals or couples based on their attachment style to enhance relational outcomes.

#### **IMPLICATIONS**

**Improved Counseling Strategies:** The findings can help mental health professionals develop more targeted therapeutic interventions that address attachment-related issues, leading to healthier family and romantic relationships.

**Enhanced Relationship Education:** Educational institutions and relationship programs can use the insights to teach young adults about attachment styles and how they affect communication and satisfaction.

**Early Identification of Relational Issues:** Understanding attachment patterns can aid in the early detection of potential communication or relationship challenges, allowing for timely support and prevention strategies.

**Support for Family Dynamics:** Families can benefit from increased awareness of how attachment styles influence interactions, helping to foster more empathetic and constructive communication.

**Foundation for Further Research:** The study provides a base for future investigations into the psychological, emotional, and social outcomes associated with different attachment styles.

Guidance for Personal Development: Young adults can use knowledge of their own attachment styles to



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improve self-awareness, emotional regulation, and relationship choices.

**Influence on Public Policy:** Policymakers and educators might incorporate attachment-focused content into youth development and mental health programs to promote long-term well-being.

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