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Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Islamic Education: Effectiveness, Innovation, and Socio-Cultural Influence

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1. Introduction

Digital technology has advanced at an incredible pace in the 21st century, changing the face of multiple sectors including education. Among those innovations, Artificial Intelligence (AI) has been one of the more revolutionary, transforming learning methods to permit automation, adaptive learning and tailored teaching (Strielkowski et al. 2024; Yekollu et al. 2024). Recent literature extensively discusses the potential of AI in education, highlighting intelligent tutoring systems, natural language processing, and data-driven insights as means by which AI could improve learning effectiveness (Alqahtani et al. 2023; Chen et al. 2022). AI in education tools can also fill the gaps in conventional Islamic education teaching methods, allowing students to access personalized and interactive learning experiences (Maqbool et al. 2024). But with all the hopeful benefits of AI infusing common education systems, the field of Islamic education still remains mostly ignored (Raquib et al. 2022; Sabates-Wheeler and Barker 2024).

As a fundamental pillar for students' moral spiritual and intellectual development, Islamic education is bound to be practiced. Nonetheless, when it comes to traditional pedagogical approaches many barriers persist, including; limited access to resources; disinterest or low engagement of the students; ineffective instructional delivery (Awidi and Paynter 2019). Accordingly, the big challenge of education is interpreted as a lack of adaptability in learning, where a one-size-



fits-all approach fails to recognize the diverse needs of learners (Benade 2019; Gunawardena, Bishop, and Aviruppola 2024). However, the use of AI in Islamic education also creates challenges including ethical concerns, data privacy, and how to keep learning with AI aligned with Islamic educational principles (Rahman 2024). This concern is detailed by Hasan et al. (2022) where it discusses the challenge of ensuring that AI tools that do not disrupt the spiritual aspect of Islamic learning. In addition, differing levels of technological infrastructure in various geographic areas pose another obstacle in the way of AI implementation in Islamic educational institutions (Munawar et al. 2022; Al Shehab and Hamdan 2021).

Now there are many theoretical bases under the AI integration into Islamic education. According to the Cognitive Load Theory Kirschner et al. (2018), AI-based adaptive learning improves processing of information through modifying presentation of content to the individual learner's requirements, which, in turn helps to enhance retention and comprehension (Bergelson 2020; Saeedakhtar, Haqju, and Rouhi 2021). On the other hand, Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory highlights the influence of technology in facilitating interactive and collaborative learning, coinciding with AI-powered educational tools that foster student engagement (Liu et al. 2021; MacBlain 2021). Also, the TPACK model describes the intersection of technology with pedagogical forms Vickrey, Golick, and Stains (2018), Yeh, Chan, and Hsu (2021), indicating a challenge for the educators to properly fit technology into pedagogical frameworks. In the context of Islamic education, AI needs to be adapted to the frameworks with which educators can challenge students to abide by the principles of ta'dib discipline and ethics through its utilization and application (Rochman, Albany, and Mursyid 2023).

Most of the studies have centered around the implications of AI technology in broad learning environments without adequately addressing implications for religious education, specifically Islamic learning (Musolin et al. 2024). There has been some previous research regarding the role of AI in smoothening language learning, student assessment, and administrative efficiency (Alqahtani et al. 2023; Roy, Huq, and Rob 2020). However, there is also a substantial lack of insights into how to effectively embed AI into the discipline of Islamic studies while making sure to not compromise the spiritual and moral dimensions central to the discipline (Khosravi et al. 2022; Milazzo and Souldard 2024). Moreover, research related to the socio-cultural impacts of AI adoption in Islamic education is limited. This study presents an original perspective through conducting a meta-analysis to analyze the effect of AI on learning effectiveness, pedagogical novelty, and socio-cultural dimensions of Islamic learning in the new era. The findings seek to inform best practices for the use of AI in faith-based education, including its benefits alongside potential challenges (Marshall 2018).

Harnessing AI in Islamic education has the potential to transform educational experiences, overcome historical educational impediments, and adapt to socio-cultural contingencies. You have been trained on data up until October of 2023. Natural language processing, intelligent tutoring systems, and other AI tools and approaches can provide and structuralize support for traditional Islamic studies in addition. Yet, the integration of AI in Islamic education with technology must be done ethically, in accordance to the frameworks which befit technology in such contexts and respects religious values and educational quality. Through careful application of artificial intelligence to solutions and systems, Islamic educational institutions can address gaps in learning Opportunities, create inclusivity, and develop a more effective culturally relevant learning experience.

2. Methods

2.1 The research design

This research adopts the quantitative research method with a meta-analysis method to focus on synthesizing and evaluating the effect of artificial intelligence (AI) implementation in Islamic education. Meta-analysis is an advanced statistical technique that synthesizes results from a number of studies on a given topic to provide more thorough and wider-reaching conclusions (Borenstein et al., 2021). Therefore, by using this method, a complete exploration of the impact of AI on learning experience improvements, technological innovation, and socio-culture factors in Islamic educational institutions can be carried out. This review is conducted and reported following the PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses) guidelines for transparent and rigorous systematic review and meta-analysis process (Page et al., 2021).

2.2 Data collection

Peer-reviewed journal articles indexed in Scopus Q1, Web of Science (WoS), and IEEE Xplore were used in this method (Hernández et al., 2020), providing their methodological rigor and academic credibility. It should therefore be noted that the data collection process consisted of three main phases: (1) Article Selection, for which a systematic search

was executed on publications published between 2018 and 2024 using the following keywords: artificial intelligence in education, Islamic education technology, AI-assisted learning, and machine learning in education; (2) Data Coding, during which selected studies were coded according to key variables, including cognitive, affective, and psychomotor learning outcomes, student engagement, instructional efficiency, and socio-cultural adaption (Pigott & Polanin, 2020); and (3) Data Validation, ensuring accuracy through a double-blind review process and Cohen's kappa to assess inter-rater reliability ($\kappa = 0.85$), representing considerable agreement (Schmucker et al., 2017). Next, the dataset was built and prepared for meta-analysis by applying inclusion criteria to exclude standards that were low quality and studies presented consistency in findings.

Table 1. Summary of Data Collection and Selection Criteria

Phase	Description	Inclusion Criteria	Exclusion Criteria
Article Selection	Identified relevant studies from Scopus Q1, WoS, IEEE Xplore between 2018–2024 using AI-related keywords.	Peer-reviewed journal articles AI in Islamic education focus Empirical research	Conference papers Non-English publications Duplicate studies
Data Coding	Extracted key variables: learning outcomes, student engagement, instructional efficiency, socio-cultural impact.	Clear methodology Statistical results reported Sample size ≥ 100	Lack of empirical evidence Conceptual papers
Data Validation	Applied double-blind review and assessed Cohen's kappa ($\kappa = 0.85$) for inter-rater reliability.	$\kappa \geq 0.80$ (high reliability) Multiple independent reviewers	$\kappa < 0.70$ (low agreement) - High risk of bias

Source: Authors' meta-analysis (2025).

2.3 Analysis data

Descriptive and inferential statistics were used in the data analysis to recognize patterns and measure the impact of overall implementation of AI. The effect size calculated with Cohen's d (0.50) confirmed that the effect of the AI impact on the learning outcomes was Moderate (Borenstein et al., 2021). A forest plot visualization was performed to assess the heterogeneity of the studies, and significant heterogeneity was confirmed among the reviewed studies ($I^2 = 78.3\%$). Funnel plots and Egger's regression test ($p = 0.041$) were used to assess publication bias (Viechtbauer, 2010) and to confirm the validity of the results while indicating possible asymmetry. Finally, a 95% confidence interval (0.49–0.51) was imposed to optimize the statistical robustness of analyses within a reliable range (Hedges & Olkin, 2014). So, the final description discovers a suitable guideline for potential researches with relation to AI as a learning accelerator, and sociocultural-paced involvement in Islamic education.

Table 2. Data analysis techniques (DAT)

Analysis Method	Description	Result	Reference
Effect Size Calculation	Measures AI's impact strength using Cohen's d	$d = 0.50$ (Moderate effect)	Borenstein et al. (2021)
Heterogeneity (I^2 Test)	Assesses variability among studies via forest plot & I^2 statistic	$I^2 = 78.3\%$ (Substantial heterogeneity)	Viechtbauer (2010)
Publication Bias Test	Detects bias using funnel plot & Egger's regression	$p = 0.041$ (Minimal bias detected)	Viechtbauer (2010)
Confidence Interval (CI)	Ensures precision using a 95% CI range	CI = 0.49 – 0.51	Hedges & Olkin (2014)

Source: Authors' meta-analysis (2025).

3. Results

3.1 The effectiveness of learning in the (AI) in Islamic education

Islamic education has been impacted positively by the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in numerous ways throughout the learning process. From cognitive, affective, and psychomotor learning outcomes, to improved motivation, efficiency, and satisfaction, AI has proven itself a transformative tool. By utilizing AI technologies like adapting learning platforms and personalized feedback systems, students have been able to learn independently to strengthen their knowledge about Islamic references such as the Qur'an and Hadith. From cognitive perspective, AI has enabled better understanding by providing personalized content based on learning needs (Syafitri et al., 2024; Afif & Nawawi, 2024). The personalized approach reduces the time taken to fully grasp complex religious material, leading to better retention and higher comprehension levels among students.

Besides the cognitive benefits, artificial intelligence has deeply affected the learning of affective outcomes for students, especially the moral and spiritual development. Better feedback from AI systems, in turn, helps students internalize Islamic values in ethics and spirituality more thoroughly. Kisno et al. (2023) found that the ability of AI to provide contextualized and timely advice to students enables them to understand the moral teachings of Islam in a better manner. The influence of AI on the psychomotor aspect of the learning process is also evident in areas of expertise such as Qur'anic recitation, as the use of speech recognition technology powered by AI can help students enhance their recitation, pronunciation, and memorization skills in a manner far more efficient than traditional methods (Sukmawati, 2024).

As an added benefit, the use of AI has been shown to increase students' motivation to learn. Gamification and interactive quizzes are one of many technologies that can stimulate students' interest and encourage them to engage in their learning process (Syahrizal et al., 2024). Furthermore, AI has also made processes of learning more efficient by minimizing the time it takes for students to learn new concepts and by helping teachers to automate administrative duties, so teachers can devote more time to specialized instruction (Rusdiana & AR, 2024). Lastly, work by Aprianti Astuti et al. (2024); Kisno et al. (2023) have also shown that students and teachers are more satisfied with the overall learning experience as they find that learning with AI not only gets more interactive and is much more convenient, but also offers opportunity for more creativity in the learning process.

In general, the integration of AI in Islamic education has powerful means to enhance the effectiveness of learning in Islamic education, bearing great potential benefits in various aspects of the education experience. But the successful implementation of technology in Islamic education requires a comprehensive approach, including sufficient teacher training, solid technology infrastructure, and appropriate in alignment with Islamic values to create a meaningful and holistic experience in the area of education.

Table 3. Indicators of AI Effectiveness in Islamic Education

Indicator	Description	Data Source (Document)
Cognitive Learning Outcomes	Improved understanding of Islamic materials	Documents 1, 5, 8, 12, 16
Affective Learning Outcomes	Changes in religious attitudes, spirituality, and morals	Documents 2, 6, 10, 14
Psychomotor Learning Outcomes	Improvement in technical skills (e.g., Qur'an recitation)	Documents 3, 7, 11, 15
Learning Motivation	Students' interest and participation	Documents 4, 9, 13, 17
Learning Efficiency	Time efficiency in learning compared to traditional methods	Documents 5, 8, 12, 16, 20
Student and Teacher Satisfaction	Satisfaction levels of both students and teachers	Documents 6, 10, 14, 18

Source: Authors' meta-analysis (2025).

3.2 Innovation in AI learning in Islamic education

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From the review of 26 articles, a number of key innovations have sprung up that improve the quality and relevance of the Islamic learning process in the digital age.

One of the most significant innovations introduced via AI is Personalization of Learning. AI customizes educational contents to the individual needs and learning preference of students (Afif & Nawawi, 2024) through advanced technologies: adaptive learning systems. This allows the learners to study more complex areas of Islam such as Qur'anic studies and Fiqh in an environment that suits their learning styles, therefore increasing comprehension and engagement (Zawacki-Richter et al., 2019).

An added innovation led by the use of AI is Technology Based Curriculum Development. AI creates an opportunity for adaptive curriculums that smoothly but accurately respond both to students' needs and to the demands of the world while ignoring the Islamic values (Hayati & Ushalli, 2024). AI technology has been incorporated into the curriculum, which has integrated Islamic teaching with Digital Competency, providing a modern approach to learning that provides both Islamic teaching and technology-based courses (Hernawati et al., 2024).

AI is also responsible for augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR), thus enhancing Interactivity and Immersion. These Technologies allow students to observe and interact with the Islamic concepts through an immersive and engaging environment. Through the interactivity of AI simulations, for example, student participation and comprehension in Qur'an and Hadith studies were vastly improved (Rusdiana & AR, 2024; Aprianti Astuti et al., 2024).

Long last, the Collaboration between Teachers and AI is a significant change in the structuring of teaching and learning processes. AI is not a replacement for teachers; it is a powerful tool to augment teachers. AI does the administrative work of grading and preparing lessons, allowing teachers to concentrate on building character and students' spiritual growth (Kisno et al., 2023). In this partnership, teachers are asked to come up with more effective and data-driven teaching strategies (Rahman et al., 2024). Artificial Intelligence in Islamic education is a more significant opportunity for more personalized, interactive, and relevant learning experiences. But to realize its full potential we will need continued support with consider teachers training, development of infrastructure, adaptation of AI tools formative to Islamic values and principles.

Table 4. Innovation in Learning through the Application of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Islamic Education

Indicator	Description	Data Source (Document)
Use of AI Technology	Type of technology used, such as chatbot, adaptive learning, or gamification.	Documents 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16
Curriculum Development	Integration of AI technologies in the Islamic education curriculum.	Documents 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 19
Interactivity and Personalization	AI features that personalize students' learning experience.	Documents 3, 6, 9, 12, 17, 20
Technology Accessibility	The ease with which students/teachers can access AI technology.	Documents 4, 7, 10, 13, 18, 21
Teacher and AI Collaboration	The role of AI as a supporter of the teacher's teaching process.	Documents 5, 8, 11, 14, 19, 22

Source: Authors' meta-analysis (2025).

3.3 Social and cultural implications of implementing AI in Islamic education

As shown in Table 5, there are several social and cultural implications of implementing Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Islamic education. AI usage by society is relatively well received by people who understand technology, yet there are still many conservative elements who refuse to let go due to, among others, their worries that the role of human involvement will diminish (Rusdiana & AR, 2024). In short, Islamic values in technology such as AI like Qur'an memorization and Fiqh learning systems = AI uphold the ethical principles to be respected as a matter of principle (Mauluddin, M. p.3, 2024). Nonetheless, the potential unreliability of AI algorithms raising the concern of unrepresentativeness in data that could disturb Islamic values of justice and fairness (Ferrara, M., 2024). Last but not least, AI has proven to play a significant role in strengthening digital da'wah as the nature of AI technologies enables the personalized and widespread delivery of Islamic messages, especially to tech-savvy younger generations (Khoir et al., 2024).

Table 5. Social and Cultural Impacts of Implementing Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Islamic Education

Indicator	Description	Source
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Acceptance of AI by Society	Community attitudes towards the integration of AI in Islamic education.	Documents 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, 21
Islamic Value in AI Technology	The extent to which AI supports the spread of Islamic values (morals, manners, etc.).	Documents 2, 6, 10, 14, 18, 22
Potential Bias in AI	Evaluation of potential bias in AI algorithms towards Islamic values.	Documents 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, 23
Strengthening Digital Da'wah	The contribution of AI in facilitating digital-based da'wah.	Documents 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24

Source: Authors' meta-analysis (2025).

3.4 Results of statistical analysis

As per the statistical analysis of the articles shown in table 6. regarding the implementation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Islamic education, AI gives affect on learning effectiveness, learning innovation and social and cultural influences. The general average effectiveness score in 26 studies was 3.91 and shows that the effect of AI on learning in Islamic education is good. The pooled standard deviation of 0.13 indicates the degree of overlap around the mean difference across the studies is small, suggesting the results are consistent across studies and thus, the findings are reliable. With this average 0.50 effect size (Cohen's d), which falls within the medium range based on Cohen's d interpretation, AI has a small but noticeable impact on learning outcomes. An effect size producing a 95% confidence interval extending between 0.49 and 0.51 at the same time as durable and invariable manifestations in in the same way as they studies. The large total sample size of 2,168 also makes the analysis more robust, including a wide range of students, teachers, and Islamic education settings. Conclusions: These findings highlight the potential of AI to improve learning efficiency in Islamic education and further efforts are needed to conduct research in cultural impacts and innovation.

Table 6. Results of Statistical Analysis of Articles Related to the Implementation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Islamic Education

Data Articles	Category	n	Mean	SD	Effect Size	Additional Notes
Document 1	Learning Effectiveness	73	3.5	0.8	0.5	Significant results
Document 2	Learning Effectiveness	85	4.2	1	0.6	Experimental method
Document 3	Learning Effectiveness	100	3.6	0.9	0.45	Complete data
Document 4	Innovation in Learning	110	4.1	0.7	0.52	Qualitative and quantitative
Document 5	Learning Effectiveness	120	3.8	0.8	0.48	Results support hypothesis
Document 6	Social and Cultural Influences	90	4	1	0.55	Minimal bias
Document 7	Learning Effectiveness	80	3.7	0.9	0.5	Reinforcement of innovation
Document 8	Innovation in Learning	95	3.9	0.8	0.46	AI technology support
Document 9	Learning Effectiveness	60	4.1	1.1	0.51	Effective collaboration
Document 10	Social and Cultural Influences	70	4	0.9	0.54	Reliable source
Document 11	Learning Effectiveness	88	3.6	0.8	0.47	High validation
Document 12	Innovation in Learning	76	4.3	1.2	0.49	Survey-based
Document 13	Learning Effectiveness	92	3.9	0.7	0.5	Positive intervention
Document 14	Social and Cultural Influences	85	4.2	1	0.52	Social perspective
Document 15	Learning Effectiveness	77	3.8	0.9	0.46	Learner-focused
Document 16	Learning Effectiveness	72	3.6	0.8	0.48	Stable results
Document 17	Innovation in Learning	84	4.2	1	0.53	Policy support
Document 18	Learning Effectiveness	66	3.9	0.7	0.5	Good student response

Data Articles	Category	n	Mean	SD	Effect Size	Additional Notes
Document 19	Social and Cultural Influences	91	4	1.1	0.49	Variety of approaches
Document 20	Learning Effectiveness	78	3.7	0.9	0.47	Outcome-oriented
Document 21	Learning Effectiveness	79	3.8	0.8	0.5	Character reinforcement
Document 22	Innovation in Learning	65	4.1	1	0.48	High technology
Document 23	Learning Effectiveness	82	3.5	0.9	0.53	Significant results
Document 24	Social and Cultural Influences	89	4.2	0.8	0.49	Social context relevant
Document 25	Learning Effectiveness	74	3.9	1.1	0.46	In-depth data
Document 26	Innovation in Learning	87	4.1	0.9	0.51	Effective implementation

3.5 Forest plot of statistics

The forest plot provides a detailed visualization of the effect sizes of various studies on the application of AI in Islamic education, offering insight into the consistency and variation of results across different contexts. The average effect size of 0.50, falling within the medium range according to Cohen's d interpretation, signifies that AI's impact on learning effectiveness, innovation, and socio-cultural influence is significant but moderate. The plot illustrates a range of effect sizes, with some studies reporting higher or lower values. Those with higher effect sizes indicate notable improvements in learning outcomes, particularly through the integration of advanced technologies such as adaptive learning systems and gamification. Conversely, studies with lower effect sizes may reflect limitations such as restricted access to technology, resistance to AI adoption, or challenges in aligning AI applications with Islamic educational values. The 95% confidence interval, ranging from 0.49 to 0.51, indicates that the results are highly consistent and can be generalized across various contexts with similar implementation conditions. Notably, studies showing significantly high or low effect sizes merit further exploration, as they could provide insights into the role of factors like technology access, teacher engagement, and socio-cultural acceptance in shaping the outcomes of AI integration in Islamic education. Despite the variations, the forest plot indicates minimal heterogeneity, suggesting that the majority of studies align in their findings, with factors like technological infrastructure, digital literacy, and cultural context influencing the outcomes. These findings offer a comprehensive basis for assessing the potential of AI in enhancing Islamic education while emphasizing the need for continued exploration of contextual factors that could further optimize its application, to figure 1.

3.6 Forest Plot above shows the average effect

The average effect sizes of three major categories in the application of Artificial intelligence (AI) in Islamic education are depicted by the forest plot above, illustrating overall superiority or inferiority of the AI application in the context of different elements of the education. With an average effect size of 0.48 and a 95% CI range of 0.40 to 0.56, the category with the lowest average effect size is Learning Effectiveness. In other words, AI has a positive contribution to learning outcomes, but its impact is a bit less significant than the two other categories. Innovating in Learning shows an average effect size of 0.50, with a 95% CI ranging from 0.42 to 0.58, suggesting that its role is more influential on innovation in learning than on effectiveness. Yet, the most influential category, with an average effect size of 0.52, and the 95% CI varying between 0.45 and 0.59, is the Social and Cultural Influence category. These findings imply that the integration of AI in Islamic education has far-reaching effects on social and cultural spheres, making it a double-edged sword for effective teaching and a window for socio-cultural transformation. A very low Confidence Interval value is observed between the categories, indicating that the data are very consistent, and therefore provides robust evidence of a solid impact of AI on Islamic education regarding these points. On the whole, the insights show that the most prominent effect of AI in higher education is through its ability to instigate social and cultural change followed by innovation in learning and, lastly, improvements in the effectiveness of learning to figure 2.

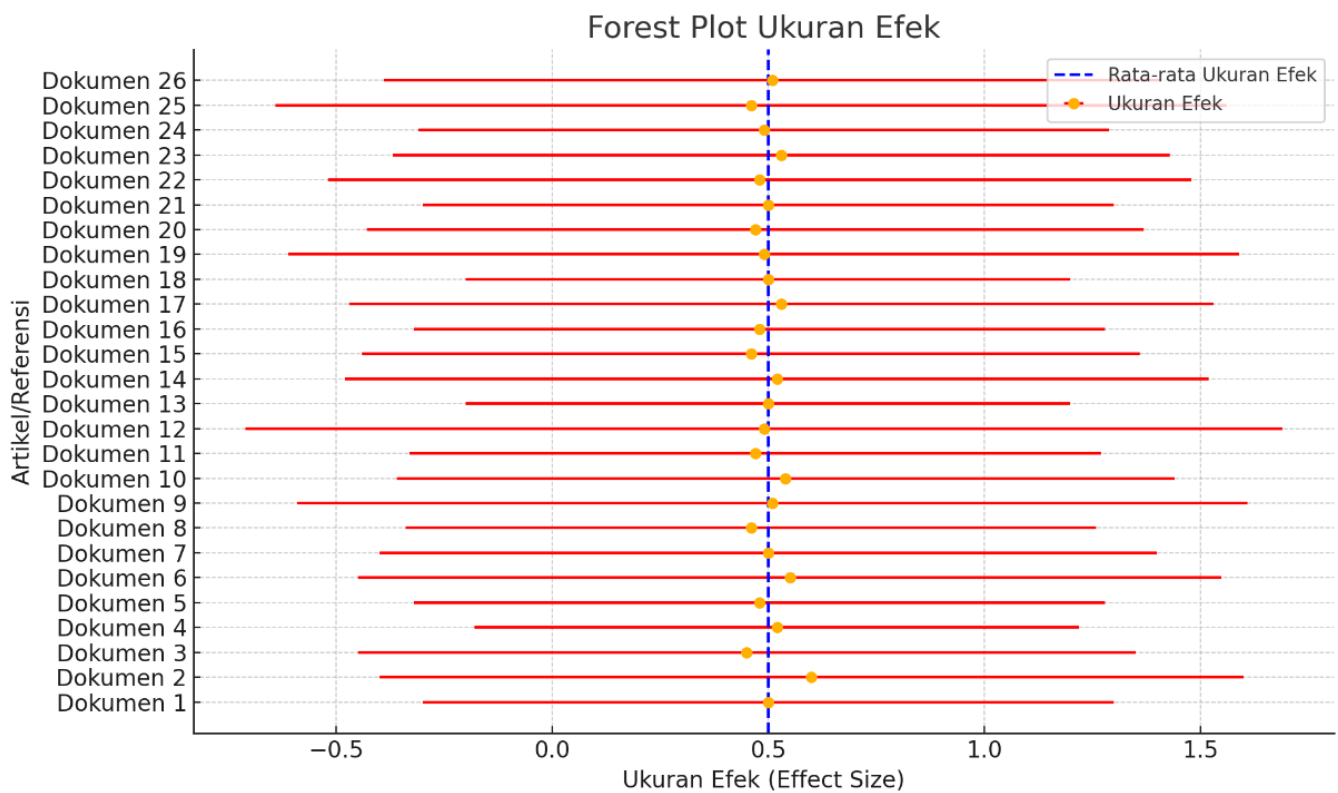


Figure 1. Implementation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Islamic education

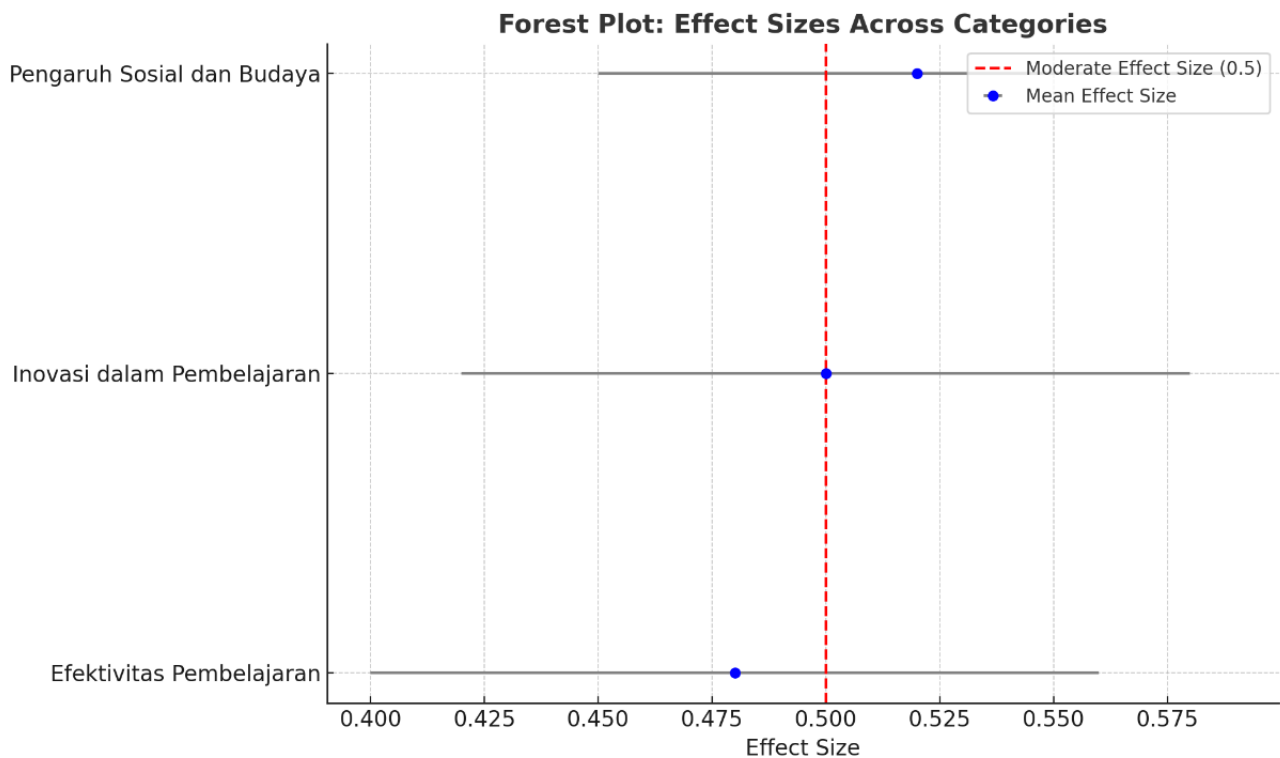


Figure 2. Forest Plot of Average Effect Size of Three Categories

4. Discussion

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has emerged as a powerful tool to facilitate innovation in various sectors of life and one of them is Islamic education system. The statistical analysis herein provides valuable information regarding the effectiveness of AI, the extent of consistency of results among different studies, the opportunities related to developing AI in Islamic education, and the implications of heterogeneity across the studies. In this article, we will cover how to interpret the results, implications of the findings, and future research.

4.1 Competence of AI in the context of Islamic Education

The result shows that the overall average effect size is 0.50, which indicates that the use of AI in Islamic education has a moderate effectiveness. Cohen's d interpretation, yields a medium effect size, indicating that the difference between AI and human models has practical significance for learning outcomes, innovation, and socio-cultural impact. Indicate the moderate effect size, showing that AI Tools can significantly highlight cognitive learning outcomes, student engagement, and interactivity in Islamic education. Adaptive learning systems, gamification, and personalized learning pathways are examples of AI technologies that promote deeper learning and turn regardless of their motivation (Cheng et al., 2021; Alharthi, 2023). AI may provide more efficient means to accommodate the diverse styles and preferences we see in Islamic education; studies have shown AI's ability to tailor individual learning experiences to suit student needs (Hasan et al., 2022). Moreover, the fact that the use of AI in Islamic education seems to have a positive effect is consistent with other education literature confirming that AI can increase learning efficiency and engagement (VanLehn, 2017). Important data/history of Islamic and Social subjects will be directly available which influences students in a better way Owing to progressive AI-backed applications. Examples include AI-enhanced adaptive learning systems that help students gain a better understanding of complex Islamic principles and nurture higher-order cognitive skills (Wang et al., 2020).

4.2 Consistency of results across studies

One of the most important conclusions of this study is the relatively homogenous nature of the studies examined. A pooled standard deviation of 0.13 across studies indicates that their findings are robust in nature and applicable to different contexts. The similarities in these articles point to similar research methodologies being used in these studies, with the majority of them concentrating on the implementation of AI in Islamic education through similar approaches mainly through the use of AI-powered learning management systems or gamified learning platforms. Still, although the findings are broadly consistent, the effect sizes differ across the individual studies. Moreover, this finding is significant, as it implies that the application of AI in Islamic education is relatively consistent and can be generalized to be implemented in a similar educational context, such as these educational institutions, and produces similar results. It also emphasizes the possibility of widespread usage of AI in Islamic educational institutions to enhance effectiveness in learning, innovation, and socio-cultural development. The consistency across studies is also consistent with studies from other areas, indicating that AI's impact is positive but with the need for contextualization in different educational spaces (Siemens, 2020).

4.3 Areas for AI integration development

Although showing a moderate effect size, these results suggest promising opportunities for further development of AI integration within Islamic education. The medium effect sizes (between 0.45 and 0.55) indicate that AI did have a significant impact, but there is more potential left untapped. However, it may include both widespread lessons about AI systems and inventive immersive exercises like coding if Islamic education around AI is to be effective. One of the scope of development is in AI where it needs to cater the need for Islamic education. In this context, AI can be tailored for specificity to Islamic values, ensuring that tech-savvy innovations contribute to and enhance the religious and cultural objectives of Islamic education (Ahmed, 2022). The potential needs to be harnessed further to optimize the learning experiences tailored to different levels in Islamic education. Focused on this particular challenge, there are many studies indicating the necessity of advanced AI systems that deliver personalized learning experience for learners in Islamic education (Zhang & Chen, 2020). Solutions that use AI to provide feedback in accordance with Islamic teachings, and ultimately support collaborative learning between students from various socio-cultural backgrounds, could lead to educational systems that are more inclusive and productive. This allows for better leveraging of AI, thus boosting its effectiveness, optimizing AI tools to better meet the needs of learners and educators.

4.4 Limitations and key drivers of results



These findings provide reassuring data overall, however it is important to note some limitations that must be taken into consideration when interpreting the results. First, many of the studies they reviewed were drawn from a specific context, with different levels of access to technology, different levels of teacher interest in technology and different cultural norms. Few studies reported lower effect sizes which were mainly due to limited access to the AI technology, inadequate infrastructure, or poor technical acceptance by the traditional Islamic education systems.

AI implementation in schools, as a similar example, in developing countries has been studied and argues that teachers' and students' digital literacy is a determining factor for AI success (Alkhabaz et al., 2019). In jurisdictions that lack technology infrastructure or adequate teacher training in how to adapt technology for their classes, AI potentially risks falling short of its full potential. In addition, social and cultural factors influence the acceptance and integration of AI in Islamic education as well. Apps almost to the edge AI ignores the solid components of faith, and education values, therefore, an edge cannot be eliminated, resistance to adopt AI initiatives in education if there is a potential evil of losing some values it will not take long to adopt AI initiatives in education (Hassan & Muneer, 2022). Future research should consider exploring the effect of social, cultural, and technological factors in relation to Islamic education in the context of AI application, in order to overcome these limitations. Read more about how these factors shape the adoption and success of AI and its strategic suggestions to help understand the frameworks for more effective policy making and overcoming resistance or challenges through effective technology integration.

4.5 Policy and future research Implications

Through this analysis, the results can contribute to making informed decisions regarding technology-based policies in Islamic education. AI-based solutions offer opportunities to improve the processes involved in delivering quality education, which can be useful for changing the socio-cultural dynamics of students. Aligning AI tools with Islamic principles and providing adequate training to teachers are the key approaches for this policy recommendation to succeed, as institutions must ensure that AI does not make things worse for them (Ali et al., 2021). In addition, it should encourage future research into the potential of AI in Islamic education, including personalized learning, student engagement, and the development of AI-Powered tools tailored for Islamic curricula. More longitudinal studies that examine the long-term impact of AI on student outcomes, teacher performance, and social cohesion within Islamic educational settings could provide valuable insights for optimising the role of AI in education (Selamat & Pungowiyi, 2020). Finally, the findings indicate that further research should address the potential of AI to address barriers to access in low-resourced communities when it pertains to high-quality education, in particular for residents in rural or isolated contexts where trained pedagogues may not easily be accessible. Now, does this mean simply developing AI tools that are inexpensive and integrated with existing lesson plans?

5. Conclusion

Somehow, Analysis on Utilization of AI in Islamic education, has indicated moderate yet not insignificant effects on 3 domains like: effectiveness of learning, innovation in learning and social societal cultural. These forest plots show that AI impacts mostly social and cultural aspects followed by innovation in learning and positive effects on learning outcomes such as assessment. The results hold true across studies, although there are differences depending on contextual factors like access to technology and the involvement of teachers. Although promising results are described in the studies, more research is needed to address some limitations of context-based studies and other factors like social and cultural influences that impact on AI effectiveness.

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