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Summary

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Abstract

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1. Introduction

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has gained prominence in several areas of society, and education is no exception. Tools like ChatGPT, Google Bard, automatic translators and spell checkers
Intelligent spelling is increasingly present in students' daily lives. Given this
global scenario, it becomes essential to analyze how these technologies can be applied in
specific educational contexts, such as the Angolan educational system.

This study aims to investigate the application of artificial intelligence in the teaching process. learning in higher education institutions in Angola, seeking to understand the contributions that these technologies can offer to improve the local education system. The The justification for exploring this topic lies in the transformative potential of AI, which can reshape the educational landscape through more accurate pedagogical diagnoses, interventions personalized and more efficient educational management, based on automation and data analysis. When focusing on Angolan higher education institutions, the study seeks to identify both opportunities and the challenges for the integration of AI tools in the national context, aiming to promote a more effective teaching-learning experience aligned with contemporary demands. This In this way, it is expected to contribute to the construction of educational strategies that enhance the use of artificial intelligence, strengthening the development of the educational system in Angola.

2. Theoretical framework

AI in education is an interdisciplinary field that combines computer science, pedagogy and data analysis. According to Holmes et al. (2019), AI can be applied in tutoring systems intelligent, adaptive learning platforms, automatic assessment systems and chatbots educational. Ferreira (2022) states that the digital transformation in Angolan higher education involves by using smart technologies to improve the efficiency of school management and monitoring pedagogical. Cutatela et al. (2022), highlight that the success of AI in education depends on the preparation of teachers and the existence of educational policies that encourage the ethical and efficient use of technologies. Paulo (2022) adds that the school curriculum in Angola needs to be rethought to include digital skills and the critical use of technology.

According to Ferreira (2022), the digital transformation in Angolan higher education requires a new model of educational management based on data and AI. Cutatela et al. (2022), highlight that the adoption of AI technologies can facilitate the personalization of teaching and the automation of tasks administrative. In turn, Paulo (2022) highlights curricular dilemmas and the need for teacher training to deal with technological tools.

Artificial Intelligence represents a transformation in the way we interact with technology and with the world around us, in the article by Adriana Queli de Freitas 1, Lílian Andrade do Rêgo 2, Madeanne Sousa Costa 3, Cassandra Paula Sales Linhares Monteiro 4, Waldensia Dias da Pascoa Costa 5 (2025, p.3), "ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN EDUCATION: CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHALLENGES FOR THE TEACHING AND LEARNING PROCESSreference".

In agreement with the author's thoughts, although intelligent machines can be effective in provide immediate assistance and feedback, it is essential to recognize that they should not replace completely the interactions between real people. by Adriana Queli de Freitas 1, Lílian Andrade do Rêgo 2 Madeanne Sousa Costa 3, Cassandra Paula Sales Linhares Monteiro 4, Waldenisia Dias da Pascoa Costa 5 (2025, p.10), "ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN EDUCATION: CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHALLENGES FOR THE TEACHING AND LEARNING PROCESSreference".

Authors such as Knox et al. (2019) emphasize that technology does not replace the role of a teacher inspiring or human interaction in the construction of collaborative learning. Casagrande (2019), warns that, although AI systems offer educational support, they should not replace interaction between people, especially for developing children, where connections interpersonal skills are fundamental.

On the potential of artificial intelligence to improve learning processes in the classroom, we see how adaptive personalization, recommendation systems, virtual assistants learning, predictive analytics and the integration of virtual and augmented reality technologies can offer more effective and engaging approaches to meet the individual needs of students and create more interactive and immersive learning experiences.

Still on this path According to Turbot (2017, p.2), cited by Gomes, 2023, p.43, "[...] machines smart devices are playing an important role in delivering personalized knowledge and relevant to students, where and when they need them."

As highlighted by Costa, et al., (2019, p. 60), "this approach leads students to a learning based on freedom and horizontality, where the objects of study are more intelligent, which favors greater engagement and interest on the part of students".

The Angolan education system faces historical challenges related to infrastructure, training professional and educational coverage. However, the increasing penetration of the internet and devices furniture presents new opportunities for the use of AI.

Studies such as Lopez (2022) show that the use of platforms such as Google Workspace for Education can help develop digital skills in higher education institutions

Angolans. Faustino et al. (2022), observed during the COVID-19 pandemic a greater adherence to Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), opening space for the integration of AI in teaching distance.

2.1. Benefits of AI in the teaching-learning process

Among the main benefits of AI in education, the following stand out:

- a) Personalizing teaching: adaptive platforms adjust content to the student's pace student;
- b) Pedagogical diagnosis: AI can identify learning difficulties based on performance standards;
- w) Assessment automation: reducing teaching workload with automatic corrections;
- d) Virtual assistants: support for students outside of class hours. These resources can make the more inclusive, efficient and student-centered teaching-learning process.

2.2. Challenges for implementing AI in Angola

Despite the potential, there are significant obstacles:

- a) Lack of technological infrastructure (stable internet, equipment);
- b) Low digital literacy among teachers and students;
- w) Human resource training: Teacher training is a critical point. Few teachers have digital skills or have been trained to use emerging technologies in teaching-learning process;
- d) Inequality in access: Regional and socioeconomic disparities mean that only a small portion of students would have access to AI-based tools, expanding even further the educational gap;
- and) High cost of commercial platforms and solutions. Cutatela et al. (2022), emphasize that the implementation of AI in Angola requires a coordinated strategy between government, research institutions education and private sector;
- f) Ethical and regulatory issues: The use of student data should be done with responsibility, respecting privacy and security, which requires data protection policies still incipient in Angola;
- g) Resistance to change: Many educators and school administrators may resist adoption of new technologies due to lack of knowledge or fear of replacing their functions.

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2.3. Opportunities for the application of AI in teaching and learning in Angola

Despite the challenges, the opportunities are vast and strategic:

- the) Personalized Education: AI can adapt teaching content and methodology to individual needs of students, promoting more efficient and motivating learning;
- b) Expanding access to education: AI tools such as virtual tutors and learning platforms online learning, can bring quality education to remote areas, overcoming barriers geographical;
- w) Support for school management: Intelligent systems can assist in administrative organization, assessment of student performance and optimization of resources;
- d) Continuous teacher training: AI can deliver training programs under demand, adjusted to the specific needs of each educator;
- and) Stimulating pedagogical innovation: Methodologies such as project-based learning and gamification can be enhanced with the use of intelligent systems, making the process more dynamic and attractive educational;
- f) Preparing for the future of work: Including AI in the school curriculum can prepare better prepare students for the demands of the global job market, which values digital skills and technological.

2.4. Advantages of applying AI

The integration of AI into the Angolan education system would bring several advantages, such as:

- the) Improving educational efficiency by optimizing available time and resources;
- b) Reduction of educational inequalities, by enabling the democratization of access to quality content;
- w) Development of digital skills from basic education, preparing students for an increasingly technological world;
- d) Increased student motivation through more personalized teaching methods and interactive.- Strengthening the analytical capacity of educational institutions, with the use of data for making more assertive pedagogical decisions.

2.5. Disadvantages and risks of applying AI

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- the) On the other hand, the indiscriminate adoption of AI in education can generate side effects worrying:
- b) Widening digital divide: Students without access to technology may be even more

marginalized;

w) Over-reliance on algorithms: An overemphasis on automatic systems can reduce the development of essential human skills such as empathy, creativity and critical thinking;

d) Security and Privacy Issues: The collection and storage of sensitive data from students demand strict data protection policies, still under development in Angola;

and) Replacing human contact: Teacher-student interaction is essential for the emotional and social development of students, and cannot be fully replaced by machines;

f) Economic Challenges: Implementing and maintaining AI systems can become financially unviable for many institutions.

2.6. Future proposals and perspectives

the) For AI to be effectively integrated into the Angolan education system, it is necessary to:

b) Investment in digital infrastructure in schools and universities;

w) Continuous training programs for teachers;

d) AI-supported local content development;

and) Creation of specific public policies for the use of AI in education;

f) Private Polytechnic Institute of Uíge (ISPPU), can lead initiatives in the region, testing smart solutions and training teachers prepared for the new digital reality.

1. Methodology

The present study was carried out by applying a structured survey to a sample of 76 higher education students in Angola, from different areas of knowledge and levels academics. The questionnaire used covered questions related to the use of intelligence artificial in the teaching-learning process, as well as the benefits, risks, expectations and student positions regarding the integration of these technologies in education.

The responses collected were analyzed both quantitatively, to identify trends and frequencies, and qualitatively, to deepen the understanding of perceptions and experiences of students. This mixed approach enabled a comprehensive analysis of the impacts and perspectives of AI in the Angolan educational context.

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Results and discussion

4.1. Usage and frequency

All 76 students surveyed said they had heard of or used some AI tool.

Furthermore, all reported that they use these tools frequently, which indicates a high level familiarity and adherence to technologies based on artificial intelligence in the educational environment.

4.2. Purpose of use

The main purpose of using AI tools pointed out by students was to carry out research. This result reflects the search for agility and practicality in accessing information, which is aligned with global trends in the use of AI as a means of democratizing knowledge and facilitate the students' investigative process.

4.3. Perceived benefits

When asked about the main benefit of AI in education, most highlighted access fast access to information. This data reinforces the idea that AIs are being seen as allies in overcoming traditional barriers of time and space to obtain knowledge, allowing students to access content immediately and in a personalized way.

4.4. Risks and concerns

Despite the positive perceptions, students also demonstrated a critical view of the possible risks. The main concern expressed was that the constant use of AI could lead to increase in academic plagiarism with students becoming dependent on technology to solve problems. This reflection points to the need for a balanced use of AIs, so as to preserve students' intellectual autonomy and critical thinking.

Conclusion

Analysis of the perceptions of higher education students in Angola revealed that intelligence artificial intelligence has significant potential to transform the teaching-learning process in country. Students demonstrate familiarity and frequent use of AI tools, recognizing their benefits for personalized teaching, agility in accessing information and pedagogical efficiency. However, they also express legitimate concerns about over-reliance on technology and the need to maintain the central role of the teacher in mediating knowledge. These results indicate that for AI to effectively contribute to the modernization of the educational system Angolan, it is essential that its integration be accompanied by educational policies that promote ongoing training for teachers and encourage the critical and ethical use of these technologies. Thus, artificial intelligence could become a strategic ally for strengthening education higher education in Angola, enhancing the quality and equity of the educational process.

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Figure 4: Academic activities using AI tools or generative platforms.

Para quais atividades acadêmicas você utiliza ferramentas de IA ou plataformas generativas?
(Pode escolher várias opções)

75 respostas

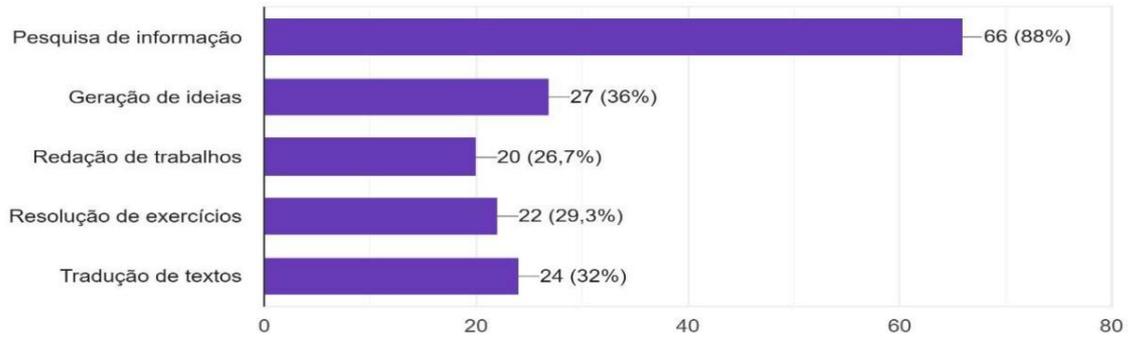


Figure 3: Use of AI tools and generative platforms

Você acredita que o uso de ferramentas de IA e plataformas generativas pode levar a um aumento do plágio acadêmico?

75 respostas

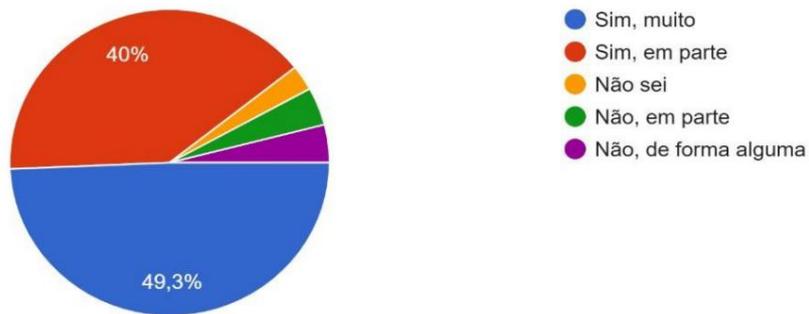


Figure 5: The utility and performance of AI tools and generative platforms

Em que medida você considera que as ferramentas de IA e plataformas generativas são úteis para o seu desempenho acadêmico?

74 respostas

