

AI-Enhanced Digital Databases

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Abstract

The research focuses on the use of artificial intelligence techniques in the development and enhancement of digital databases. In light of the rapid advancement of the digital age and the increasing volume of data, there has been a growing need for the development of advanced solutions to efficiently process and manage this data.

The study concluded that integrating artificial intelligence into database systems provides multiple benefits, including improved data management efficiency through intelligent classification and organization, and the development of search mechanisms to provide more accurate results tailored to user needs. This integration also allows for the rapid processing and analysis of large volumes of data, making complex analyses easier and facilitating the extraction of valuable insights.

An important aspect revealed by the study is AI's ability to enhance cybersecurity for databases by enabling early detection of potential threats and suspicious activities. The study concluded that employing artificial intelligence in the field of databases represents a fundamental evolution in information management, making it a crucial tool for development across various fields.

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1. Introduction

Digital databases are the cornerstone of the digital age, playing a crucial role in storing, retrieving, and analyzing information. With the rapid growth in both the volume and complexity of data, the search for innovative solutions to manage this data has become essential, and here, the importance of artificial intelligence emerges. This study aims to explore ways to enhance digital databases through the employment of AI techniques, given their significant importance for both organizations and individuals.

The importance of this study stems from the pressing need to improve data management processes, increase their efficiency, and reduce errors caused by manual processing. Big data has become a fundamental pillar for many sectors, including commerce, healthcare, education, and cybersecurity, necessitating centralized solutions to accelerate the process of analyzing and extracting information. The study also addresses challenges related to managing large data sets, such as the difficulty in accessing accurate information, high processing costs, and cybersecurity risks, prompting the search for advanced solutions and techniques capable of addressing these challenges.

Moreover, integrating AI techniques into databases can enable organizations to make data-driven decisions, allowing them to quickly adapt to market changes and customer demands.

The benefits of AI extend beyond efficiency improvements to enhancing user experience by making it easier to access the required information in simpler, more interactive ways.

However, this study has limitations, as it focuses on AI applications in specific areas of data management, overlooking some of the more complex technical and theoretical aspects. The study may also rely on a limited number of data models and applications, which may affect the generalizability of the results. It is also important to consider the cultural and organizational characteristics of institutions adopting these technologies, as human factors play a central role in the implementation and activation of AI systems.

This research explores how AI enhances the effectiveness of digital databases, focusing on the challenges and opportunities in this field, striving to provide a comprehensive vision of the future of data management. This study represents an important step toward understanding the role of AI techniques in the development of digital data systems and enhancing their ability to meet the increasing and evolving needs of users.

Previous studies: In our research, we have relied on a collection of articles and scientific studies that addressed the importance of databases, their components, and the role of artificial intelligence technology in enhancing their functionality, with the following

being among the most prominent:

- Anna, Ubaydullaeva. (2024). Rights to Digital Databases. International journal of law and policy [1].
- Blagojche, N., Dimitrovska, G., & Joshevska, E. (2023). The importance of databases in web programming. International Journal of Advanced Natural Sciences and Engineering Researches [2].
- Nigrelli, G., Chiarle, M. (2015). Relevance of Database for the Management of Historical Information on Climatic and Geomorphological Processes Interacting with High Mountain Landscapes [3].
- Thomas, Mafredas., George, Malaperdas. (2021). Archaeological Databases and GIS: Working with Databases [4].

and other sources and scientific studies that provided highly valuable information about the role of digital search engines, their content, their mechanisms of operation, and the impact of artificial intelligence technology in enhancing their functionality.

2. What are Digital Databases and their Types?

Digital database resources represent one of the vital and emerging educational trends in our contemporary lives. The resources embedded within these databases, such as books, articles, theses, and academic databases, serve as significant examples of modern educational materials. Moreover, academic databases have become an essential source of information, leading to an increasing demand for e-learning resources and academic databases to support research. Thus, there is an urgent need to understand how users perceive these databases [5].

Databases are collections of data stored across various websites that serve as scientific repositories within a secure and stable digital environment. They are crucial for storing a massive volume of research and scientific papers. Some define them as "an organized collection that supports the electronic storage and processing of data, making data management more efficient by allowing users to store, retrieve, and process large volumes of information quickly and securely. Typically, databases are managed using a Database

Management System (DBMS), which provides the necessary interfaces for interacting with these databases"[6]. Among the most prominent and important types of databases are library resources. Digital library database resources significantly influence promoting a culture of scientific research. Using these databases enables understanding intellectual growth, research productivity, planning, and identifying users' information needs [7].

There are various types of databases, including:

- **Relational Databases:** These are the most common type of databases, storing data in tables. Each table consists of rows and columns, where each row represents a record, and each column represents a data field. Structured Query Language (SQL) is usually used to manage and query data in these databases (Alalqa, 2024). The advent of relational databases has made it possible to store data in structured tables with defined relationships, enabling easier data retrieval and processing. This advancement has significantly improved the scalability and performance of databases, making them indispensable in today's digital world [8].
- **NoSQL Databases:** These databases are designed to handle large volumes of unstructured data and are known for their flexibility, as they do not require a fixed schema and can scale horizontally. Common types of NoSQL databases include document-oriented databases (e.g., MongoDB), key-value stores (e.g., Redis), wide-column stores (e.g., Cassandra), and graph databases (e.g., Neo4j). This type provides a flexible and scalable solution for storing and retrieving large amounts of unstructured data. Thanks to their ability to handle diverse data types and large data volumes, NoSQL databases have become a popular choice for businesses dealing with big data and real-time analytics [8].
- **Object-Oriented Databases:** These databases store data as objects, as used in object-oriented programming. They are particularly useful when there is a need to represent complex data relationships [9].
- **Distributed Databases:** These databases are spread across multiple physical locations, either on several computers or across a network [6].

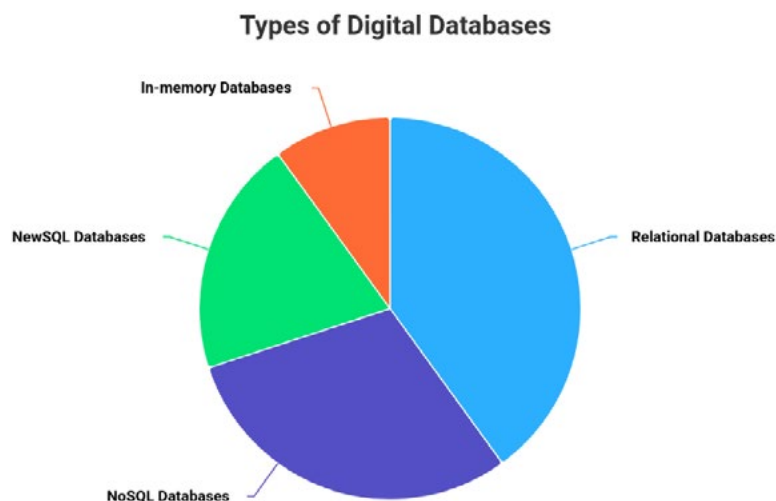


Figure 1: Represents the Forms of Digital Databases

3. The Importance of Digital Databases

3.1. Structuring, Organizing, and Operating Applications

Thousands of applications we use daily—such as social media platforms, communication tools, money transfer applications, writing tools, research paper creation applications, and platforms for presenting studies and scientific books in various disciplines—are all managed by databases. Databases serve as the repositories where essential data is entered, read, deleted, and updated on a daily basis to ensure the proper operation of web applications [2].

3.2. Commercial and Governmental Use of Digital Databases

Many commercial companies and governmental institutions have adopted the use of databases in their daily operations, including sending and receiving money, organizing the movement of imported and exported goods, (Alalqa,2024) processing client transactions, managing correspondence between employees, and storing and retrieving data as needed [10]. Additionally, many scientific institutions, including healthcare organizations, have come to rely entirely on databases for diagnosing numerous diseases. Physicians' decisions are increasingly based on case studies and analyses rather than individual intuition. To ensure more accurate treatments and apply reliable methods for patients, a consistent approach to recording data, case details, and diagnosis stages is essential—something provided by digital applications [11].

3.3. Supporting Scientific Research

This is the most critical aspect in the context of our study. Databases play a significant role in supporting and facilitating scientific research of various types and natures. They provide researchers with the foundational infrastructure they need to collaborate, analyze data, and develop knowledge within their respective fields. Databases offer digital resources that greatly stimulate a culture of research. Their usage enables understanding intellectual growth, research productivity, planning, and identifying users' information needs [12].

3.4. Keeping Pace with Technological Advancements

With the growing features of the digital revolution, the demand for databases has increased due to the news, insights, and technological trends they provide, which reinforce technological concepts. Databases play a critical role in supporting these technologies by offering scalability, reliability, and the performance needed to handle vast amounts of data, driving innovation across industries [13]. Even non-scientific or non-applied disciplines—such as the humanities—have begun utilizing database technologies in their work. For instance, Thomas Mafredas explains in his article titled:"Archaeological Databases and GIS: Working with Databases"The role of databases in shaping the foundations of geographical concepts and their practical applications is highlighted in the statement: "Digital databases are essential nowadays for organizing any modern archaeological project. One of the main issues during the preparation phase of surface archaeological research is determining how to record all the archaeological information that will emerge. This directly depends on two factors: the variability of each region in terms

of its geographical characteristics, including climate and general environmental conditions, and the differing approaches to the objectives that leading archaeologists aim to achieve. As a result, there is no universally unique model that can serve as a guiding template" [4].

This guide is one of the applications of modern digitization, enabling researchers and archaeologists to achieve fast and accurate scientific results.

In his article titled "Relevance of Database for the Management of Historical Information on Climatic and Geomorphological Processes Interacting with High Mountain Landscapes," Guido Nigrelli discusses a practical experiment conducted by a research team. The team collected historical and geographical data about the Alps, including images, maps, and historical records of the region. This data significantly aided the team in exploring various historical events in the area. Nigrelli notes that this data was stored in databases and was fundamentally utilized in the team's research efforts [3].

3.5. Centralized Data Storage

A database serves as an organized repository designed to store, manage, and organize data, simplify access, reduce redundancy, and ensure consistency and integrity. Many organizations have leveraged this feature, including the expansion of digital journalism institutions. Numerous newspapers have been consolidating and storing their journalistic data, making it available to the general public and retrieving it as needed [14].

3.6. Efficient Data Retrieval

Databases allow for the fast and efficient retrieval of data through queries. Imagine standing before a massive library containing millions of books and articles, and with a simple query or question, you receive focused and immediate answers without hassle (Alalqa,2024).

3.7. Data Protection in Various Forms

Amid the growing pace of the digital revolution and the rise of fraud and extortion, databases provide robust security measures to protect data. These include user authentication, access controls, encryption, and audit trails (Thomas, 2023).

3.8. Implementing Educational and Training Capabilities

This is a crucial factor in administrative decision-making to balance supply and demand in professional and scientific fields, optimize human potential for economic development, and reform educational institutions to meet the latest public needs [15].

3.9. Preserving Copyrights

Databases ensure the protection of copyright, ownership, and access to large collections of data, controlling them under various laws. They address issues related to excessive extraction, permissible use, derivative works, and circumvention [1].

3.10. Serving Civil Society Organizations

In her article titled "Significance of Primary Baseline Databases for Conservation of Biodiversity," researcher Suvarna LathaAnchapakula provides a compelling example of the critical role databases play in biodiversity conservation. She states:"As our planet faces unprecedented climate change due to overpopulation, urbanization, overexploitation, industrialization, and habitat degradation leading to biodiversity loss, documenting indigenous knowledge requires attention. Scientists across various organizations are making significant efforts to preserve resources in the form of online databases. It has been analyzed that only 10% of biological resources or collections are available in digital form. Therefore, there is an urgent need for integrative and innovative applications to retrieve well-documented data records for future scientific studies. The digitization, integration, analysis, and dissemination of data are essential to make biodiversity information more efficient and meaningful in our rapidly changing environment" [16].

4. Components of Databases

- **Tables or Entities:** Tables (also known as entities) form the foundational structure of a database and serve as the storage location for data. Each row within a table represents a single record, while the columns define the attributes or fields of that record.
- **Fields or Attributes:** The columns within a table represent fields or attributes, which specify the properties of the stored data, such as a person's name, age, or address.
- **Records:** Each row in a table represents a record, which is a collection of related data points.
- **Keys:** Keys are essential for organizing and linking data across different tables. The primary key uniquely identifies each record in a table, while foreign keys establish relationships between tables.
- **Queries:** Queries are used to retrieve specific data from a database. They allow users to filter, sort, and analyze information according to their needs [17].

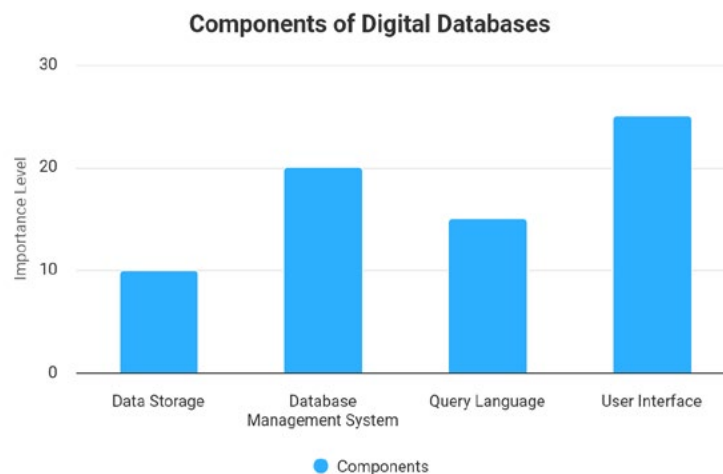


Figure 2: Represents the Components of Digital Databases

5. The Importance of Databases for University Students and Faculty

Today, a variety of electronic databases are available, including statistical databases, image repositories, and more. These databases have become highly significant as they are modern, accessible from anywhere, and transcend geographical boundaries. They are incredibly valuable and time-saving for research and development activities. However, many students remain unaware of key databases relevant to their academic needs, highlighting the necessity for more efforts to inform and guide them about these "treasures".

What hinders students and researchers from using these databases? One primary issue is the preference for internet search engines like Google over library databases. Surveys conducted by researchers indicate that about 84% of individuals searching for information begin with search engines like Google, while only 1% use library websites. A study from 2006 revealed that the general public often considers Google results equivalent to library resources in quality [18].

Databases are essential for helping university students and educators understand the value of research, ease the process of gathering content compared to traditional methods, and emphasize the importance of verifying sources:

5.1. Access to Comprehensive Content

Databases provide secure access to a wide range of full-text content, including books, journals, primary sources, images, graphics, and peer-reviewed articles authored by credible experts.

5.2. Trustworthy Alternatives to Internet Searches

Unlike much of the unreliable and unsafe information on the internet, databases offer curated and reliable subject-browsing capabilities, benefiting both novice researchers and educators.

5.3. Enhancing Critical Thinking Skills

When a keyword search yields overwhelming results, students may feel discouraged. Topic browsing offers contextual perspectives often missing in simple searches. For example, searching for "revolution concepts" may retrieve thousands of articles on

historical revolutions worldwide, but topic exploration might lead students to related subjects, such as "assassinations in Latin America," fostering connections between topics and ideas.

5.4. Discovery Through Browsing

Browsing databases by category or topic can yield unexpected discoveries, enhancing the research experience. For instance, a student researching clergy attitudes toward Iraq's 1920 revolution might find related studies on tribal relations with religious institutions, inspiring broader research ideas.

5.5. Convenience and Reduced Stress

Databases offer a user-friendly alternative for those without a specific research topic in mind, making the search process more manageable.

5.6. Visual Browsing Appeal

Visual features, such as colorful images, engage students in the research process, all within a secure and reliable environment.

5.7. Faculty Benefits

Databases are powerful tools for faculty, enabling efficient content curation for reading lists, supplementary materials, and lesson

planning. Educators can ensure the materials are credible, align with curricular requirements, and are suitable for specific grade levels [19].

5.8. Enriched Search Experience

Allowing users to browse by topic, in addition to keyword searches, significantly enhances the research process. Features like "advanced search" enable students to refine their queries, yielding more focused results than typical search engine outcomes [20,21].

5.9. Advanced Reporting and Analytics Capabilities

Databases facilitate data-driven decision-making and strategic planning. For instance, database applications can analyze historical events to identify patterns, predict future trends, and support evidence-based decision-making in areas like resource allocation and curriculum development [22].

5.10. Integration of Technology with Humanities

The relationship between digital technology and the humanities has grown since the introduction of mainframe computers in universities. Leveraging digital data, text collections, and computational analysis tools demonstrates the mutual benefits of digital applications in modernizing humanities curricula.

Database	Usage Percentage	Link
PubMed	35%	PubMed
IEEE Xplore	25%	IEEE Xplore
ScienceDirect	20%	ScienceDirect
Scopus	15%	Scopus
Web of Science	10%	Web of Science
Google Scholar	40%	Google Scholar
JSTOR	5%	JSTOR

Table 1: Represents the Most Prominent Global Digital Databases

6. Examples of AI-Enhanced Databases

6.1. Elicit Search Engine

Elicit.org, developed by Ought, was among the first partner applications integrated by OpenAI in December 2021, utilizing GPT-3 API models to enhance literature review searches. It was possibly one of the earliest applications to adopt OpenAI GPT-3 models. After testing the tool since December 2021 and providing feedback, it has been established as not only a direct academic search engine but also offers additional functionalities such as:

- **Inference as a Q&A System:** For generating a comparison table of papers (a research literature review matrix).
- **Quick Paper Inquiry:** To extract detailed information from individual papers (Aaron, 2023).

Elicit is an AI tool designed to locate "core articles" and extract keywords or topic titles. When a user inputs a question, the system returns alternative questions that may lead to additional core articles. Elicit can:

- Find relevant research papers even without perfect keyword matches.
- Summarize key points from a paper related to the question.

- Extract essential information from research papers.

Although answering questions using research is Elicit's primary focus, it also supports other research-related tasks, including brainstorming, summarization, and text classification. Users can save their work and export it to citation managers such as Zotero [23].

Elicit operates by examining foundational language models for cognitive tasks (e.g., search, extraction, classification, summarization). It identifies and builds these blocks, then presents them to users for integration and automation of cognitive workflows over time. Elicit's engineering focuses on supervising thought processes rather than outcomes. While developed as a research assistant, the creators anticipate the engine will demonstrate how machine learning can be applied to open-ended questions on a broader scale (differential capabilities). Long-term, process-based architectures like Elicit's could mitigate some of the alignment risks posed by global optimization strategies (Ought, n.d).

The engine offers researchers a free plan with optional shared-

use paid plans. It supports nearly all global languages, including Arabic.

Key Features:

- **Ease of Use:** The interface is straightforward. Upon visiting the engine's link, users are required to create an account using their personal email.
- **Access Link:** Elicit Search Engine

6.2. Typeset.io Search Engine

Typeset.io is an innovative platform designed to streamline the process of writing, collaborating, and publishing academic documents for researchers. Focused on enhancing productivity and efficiency in academic writing, it provides access to over 40,000 templates from major publishers such as IEEE, Wiley, and Springer. These templates can be easily imported into Word files. The platform also features SciSpace, an AI-powered tool that simplifies and explains complex academic texts, making research more accessible and easier to understand.

Key Features:

- **Wide Template Availability:** Over 40,000 templates tailored to academic standards.
- **AI Integration:** SciSpace assists in decoding and simplifying intricate academic content.
- **Ease of Access:** Users can register and log in using their personal email address.
- **Access Link:** Typeset.io

Benefits of Typeset.io

- Simplifies the academic writing process using automatic formatting technology and ready-to-submit templates.
- Utilizes AI and natural language processing to improve writing quality, check grammar, assist with literature reviews, and analyze data.
- Enhances research visibility and accessibility, helping to increase citation counts and improve search engine ranking.
- Provides personalized research recommendations and citation assistance to ensure accuracy and integrity.
- Facilitates collaboration, peer review, and offers a reference library for comprehensive research management (Durable, n.d.).

6.3. Connected Papers Search Engine

Connected Papers is one of the prominent intelligent search engines that offers a wide range of features for researchers. By using Connected Papers, you can explore research papers in your field of study through graphical representations. It may help you discover more papers than traditional literature searches. Connected Papers presents works in graphs; however, these graphs are not citation maps but are built on connections using similarity measures. This means that it might discover relevant papers that you wouldn't find through keywords or citation searches (Gabi, n.d.).

After accessing the tool's website via the designated link, you need to log in and create an account using your personal email.

<https://www.connectedpapers.com/>

The tool provides a wide range of options, including:

- Searching for research papers related to your topic by typing in the text box in the center of the interface.
- Displaying details of the papers you've searched for.
- Connecting old and new papers available across global search engines.
- Providing summaries of research papers with ease.
- Creating a graph for all research papers to facilitate finding and accessing them.

6.4. SCiNiTO Search Engine

SCiNiTO is one of the artificial intelligence tools that offers access to modern sources. The platform provides easy access to millions of academic resources such as articles, books, conference papers, and theses, with a collection of 250 million sources, including 50 million open-access resources. It also offers a range of features and tools to enhance your research experience. You can save articles for future reference and download citations in formats such as Bibtex and Endnote. Additionally, you can edit and organize your own scientific notes in one place.

The platform also provides a "search filter" feature with amazing options to refine your search results. For example, you can specify search years, meaning you can limit results to a particular time frame, or search by the institutions that produced those studies, the country, the field of study and specialization, or article type (e.g., book, article, data, conference abstract, etc.). Additionally, the platform offers a summary of the study, the year of completion, its digital identifier, the language in which it was written, and the author's name.

<https://www.scinito.ai/>

Some of the standout features of this search engine include:

- A research ecosystem supported by OpenAlex, driven by artificial intelligence, making it one of the largest scientific data repositories ever.
- SCiNiTO adds value by providing an intuitive user experience that meets researchers' expectations.
- Access to full-text open-access articles. You can also add your own list of owned and shared content to access the full text of all resources.
- The AI Chat tool serves as a research assistant to support the search engine.
- Multi-faceted search options to narrow your results and find articles quickly. Journal recommendations to help you decide where to publish your article or discover similar research and researchers.

6.5. Semantic Scholar Repository

Semantic Scholar is one of the most prominent and important digital repositories powered by artificial intelligence. It is a project developed at the Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence and was released to the public in November 2015. It is designed to be an

AI-powered search engine for academic publications. The project utilizes a combination of machine learning, natural language processing, and computer vision to add a layer of semantic analysis to traditional citation analysis methods. Unlike Google Scholar and other repositories, Semantic Scholar is designed to highlight the most influential papers and identify the connections between them.

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/>

You can create an official account on the platform using the researcher's email. Once logged in, you can search through millions of research papers by typing the title of the paper you're looking for or searching for any topic across various scientific fields and disciplines. This will display hundreds of thousands of related research papers. For example, I searched for the topic "Modern Research Methodologies" and found summaries of the research papers related to my query.

You can download the research paper as a PDF file or save it to your library linked to your account, allowing you to access it whenever you wish. The platform also enables citation of research papers, and you can view the publisher's name and visit the journal or publisher's website.

One of the great features of this repository is the ability to filter search results. You can search by the author's name or filter results by the most recent, the oldest, the most cited, the most influential, or the most downloaded papers. You can also filter by journal name, publisher, or study field and the researcher's interests. All of these features are supported by artificial intelligence.

For researcher accounts, the platform offers excellent services. After creating a personal account, researchers can modify their profile, add their full name, title, place of work, and personal picture. You can search for your research and add your papers to your profile. For example, in the image above, my personal account includes a collection of my research that I've added, with the option to make it public [24-28].

7. Conclusion

AI-powered databases represent a transformative shift in how organizations manage their information. By integrating AI technologies with database systems, organizations can achieve unprecedented accuracy and efficiency in data analysis and decision-making.

The impact extends beyond data analysis, enhancing user experiences through personalized recommendations and improved interfaces, facilitating information access, and boosting interaction with systems.

To maximize these technologies, organizations should:

- Invest in and continuously update digital infrastructure.
- Develop employee skills via specialized training programs.
- Foster research and development through academic partnerships.

- Apply stringent data security and privacy standards.
- Regularly evaluate system performance and identify improvement opportunities.

Success in the digital age hinges on integrating these technologies into daily operations, requiring adaptability to ongoing AI and database advancements.

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